

CHAPTER 56

DOG LICENSE REQUIRED

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56.01 ANNUAL LICENSE REQUIRED.

1. Every owner of a dog over the age of six (6) months shall procure a dog license from the Clerk.
2. Such license may be procured between December 1 and January 31 or at any time within 15 days of ownership for a dog which has come into the possession or ownership of the applicant or at any time for a dog that has reached the age of six (6) months.
3. The owner of a dog for which a license is required shall apply to the Clerk on forms provided by the Clerk.
4. All licenses shall expire on December 31 of the year following the date of issuance.

56.02 LICENSE FEES. The annual license fee for each dog is \$5.00.

56.03 DELINQUENCY. All license fees shall become delinquent on February 1 in the year in which the license fees are due, and a delinquent penalty of \$5.00 per month shall be added to each unpaid license on and after said date.

56.04 LICENSE TAGS. Upon receipt of the application and fee, the Clerk shall deliver to the owner a license which shall be in the form of a metal tag stamped with the serial number of the license as shown on the record book of the City, the year in which it is issued, and the name of the City. The license tag shall be securely fastened by the owner to a collar or harness which shall be worn at all times by the dog for which issued. A license issued for one dog shall not be transferable to another dog. Upon the expiration of the license the owner shall remove said tag from the dog.

56.05 LICENSE RECORDS. The Clerk shall keep a book to be known as the record of licenses which shall show:

1. The serial number and date of each application for a license.
2. The description of the dog as specified in the application, together with the name of the owner of the dog.
3. The date when each license tag is issued and the serial number of each tag, the date of the most recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered, and the date the dog shall be revaccinated.
4. The amount of all fees paid.
5. Such other data as may be required by law.

56.06 IMMUNIZATION. Before a license is issued, the owner shall furnish a veterinarian's certificate showing that the dog for which the license is sought has been vaccinated against rabies, and that the vaccination does not expire within six months from the effective date of the dog license. A tag showing evidence of proper vaccination shall at all times be attached to the collar of the dog. The veterinarian's form shall also provide information regarding the breed, sex, age, color, markings and name, if any, of the dog. Mixed breed dogs must be identified by a definition of breeds.

56.07 KENNEL DOGS. Dogs kept in State or Federally licensed kennels, which are kept or raised solely for the bona fide purpose of sale and which are kept under constant restraint, are not subject to the provisions of this chapter.