

Dear Dog Owner,

It is up to you to keep your dog healthy, happy, and safe.

- Take your dog to the veterinarian. Protect your pet from deadly contagious diseases by proper inoculation and regular check ups. Commit to spaying or neutering to prevent the tragedy of unwanted puppies and to protect your pet from health problems.
- Give your dog regular exercise. A daily brisk walk on a leash can prevent many behavioral problems like chewing, barking and digging. Help your dog burn up calories and energy in a healthy way.
- Feed your dog a balanced diet of good food and fresh water. Your dog can't just go and fix a snack. You are his chef and server.

Sincerely,


Michael E. Kovack

MEDINA COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE
DOG LICENSE DIVISION
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Wadsworth Residents 330-336-6657 ext. 9755

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ATTENTION DOG OWNERS!

Ohio law REQUIRES that you license your dog. For your convenience, there are almost thirty satellite locations where you can purchase your license. The fee is \$12.00 per dog. After January 31st, the cost doubles. If your pet was registered last year, you should have received a renewal form in the mail. You may also purchase your dog's license in person at Auditor Kovack's Office in Rm. 303 of the County Administration Bldg. or online at the Auditor's website: www.medinacountyauditor.org.

NEIGHBORHOOD DOG LICENSE VENDORS

BRUNSWICK AREA

Brunswick Human Service 4274 Manhattan Circle
Drug Mart 1673 Pearl Rd.
Kim's Pet Grooming 1781 Pearl Rd.

MEDINA AREA

Animal Medical Center 1060 S. Court St.
Bennett's Pet Center 986 Medina Rd.
*Buehler's Both Locations
Drug Mart 135 Harding St.
Medina Co. Animal Clinic 4840 Poe Rd.
Med. Co. Animal Shelter 6334 Deerview Lane
Medina License Bureau 972 N. Court St.
Nova Comm. Animal Hosp. 4483 Weymouth Rd.
Pet Supplies Plus 1150 N. Court St.
Sharon Center Vet 2131 Sharon-Copley

WADSWORTH AREA

*Buehler's 175 Great Oaks Tr.
*Drug Mart 1005 High St.
Creekside Animal Ctr. 3744 Wads. Rd., Norton
Holmesbrook Hardware 122 High St.

LITCHFIELD, LODI AND SEVILLE AREA

City Hardware 129 Wooster St., Lodi
Drug Mart 661 Wooster St., Lodi
Litchfield Vet Service 9496 Norwalk Rd., Litch.
Mack's Food Locker - Lodi 9945 Greenwich Rd.,
Seville Animal Hospital 175 Center St., Seville
Seville True Value Hardware 3 E. Main St., Seville
Seville-Wadsworth Vet 3898 Greenwich Rd.

A .75¢ SERVICE FEE IS CHARGED AT SOME LOCATIONS

*** TAGS SOLD ONLY DURING DECEMBER & JANUARY**

MICHAEL E. KOVACK
MEDINA COUNTY AUDITOR

THE MEDINA COUNTY DOG LICENSE PROGRAM

*DOING THE
RIGHT THING
FOR YOUR DOG!*



**Medina County's
2009 TOP DOG**


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LICENSING YOUR DOG

WHY DO I NEED TO LICENSE MY DOG?

First, Ohio law requires that you license your dog. Second, a license tag attached to your dog's collar proves ownership and is your pet's ticket home if he gets lost. With that tag number we can help you find your lost dog as you'll see later in this brochure!

WHEN SHOULD I LICENSE MY DOG?

The annual license renewal period is December 1 - January 31. If you have a new puppy, you must buy a license by the time he reaches three months old. If you have just moved into Medina County or if you just acquired a new dog, you must purchase a license within 30 days. The cost of a license is \$12.00.

WHERE DO I PURCHASE A DOG LICENSE?

You can purchase your license in one of four ways. The first way is *by mail*. Call our offices at any one of the phone numbers on the back of this brochure for an application. We'll mail it out to you. You can also purchase a license *in person* at the Medina County Auditor's Office, Medina County Administration Bldg., Room 303, 144 N. Broadway St., Medina or at one of our *neighborhood vendors* listed on the back of this brochure. The fastest and easiest way is to go *online* and renew your dog tags right on the Worldwide Web at www.medinacountyauditor.org

WHAT IF I FORGET TO BUY MY DOG LICENSE DURING THE RENEWAL PERIOD OF DECEMBER 1 - JANUARY 31?

Ohio law requires a late fee (*\$12 in Medina County*). Simply pay the total fee of \$24 for the current year's license. There are no provisions in the law to waive the fee.

MUST MY DOG WEAR A LICENSE?

YES! Ohio law requires it. Dogs without licenses can be impounded by the dog warden and you could face a possible \$100 fine.

CAN I LET MY DOG RUN LOOSE IF HE IS LICENSED?

NO! It is against the law. Ohio law specifies that all dogs must be confined to your property or under control, such as a leash, when being walked. It is not safe to let your dog roam the neighborhood. He can get hit by a car, damage neighbors' property, or injure a person or another animal.

WHAT IF I MOVE?

If you move within Medina County, please call the Medina County Auditor's Office at any one of the numbers on the back of this brochure. Give us your new address and telephone number so we can keep the information up-to-date. If you move to another county, call that county's auditor for licensing procedures, but please let us know so we can delete your dog from our records.

HOW WILL HAVING A LICENSE HELP ME FIND MY LOST DOG?

You are fortunate to live in Medina County. All our dog tags are listed online with the phone number of the owner. A person who finds your dog can go to: www.medinacountyauditor.org. By clicking on *Lost Dog-Tag Search* and typing in the dog's tag number, your phone number will pop up. If people do not have access to the internet, they can call the local police department which has our online information. If your phone number is *unlisted*, the police department will have it and can call you directly. *No other information is given out except a phone number. This is done for the safety of you and your family.*

WHAT ELSE CAN I DO TO HELP FIND MY PET?

Again, you are lucky to live in Medina County! If you have lost your pet, you can now go online at: www.medinacountyauditor.org. Click on *Lost Pet Bulletin Board* and follow the easy directions for posting your pet's picture on the Bulletin Board with any helpful information you can include.

IMPORTANT
PHONE
NUMBERS



MEDINA COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

Medina	330-725-9121
Wadsworth	330-336-6657 Ext. 9121
Brunswick	330-225-7100 Ext. 9121
SPCA	330-723-7722
AlterPet (Voicemail)	330-321-6243