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Fairfield County Dog Wardens to Begin Dangerous Dog Compliance Checks

Lancaster, Ohio – The Fairfield County Dog Wardens will begin the annual process of verifying compliance among the county’s registry of dangerous and vicious dogs.

The Dog Wardens will begin checking to make sure the mandated requirements are being adhered to by dangerous or vicious dog owners. There are currently 31 dangerous or vicious dogs in Fairfield County. Owners must be 100% compliant with the following requirements:

- The owner must obtain a dangerous dog registration
- The dog must be in a locked pen or fenced yard with a “dangerous dog” posting
- The dog must be spayed/neutered and microchipped
- The dog must be muzzled and on a chain link leash at all times when off of the property

Failure to complete with the dangerous and vicious dog requirements could result in criminal charges up to a fourth degree felony which carries a maximum punishment of 12 months in jail and/or a fine up to \$2,500.

Todd McCullough, Fairfield County Dog Warden, stated, “An essential function of the Fairfield County Dog Warden’s Office is to ensure complete compliance with the dangerous and vicious dog requirements. This is a critical part of how the Fairfield County Dog Warden’s Office contributes to Fairfield County’s core values of service, connecting, and protecting.”

The Fairfield County Dog Warden’s Office is responsible for creating and maintaining the Dangerous/Vicious Dog Registry, licensing compliance, and insuring compliance with the State of Ohio dog law requirements.

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