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Fairfield County Auditor Announces Dog License Information and Virtual Dog Show

Lancaster, Ohio – The Fairfield County Auditor’s Office will be accepting dog tag licensing applications and renewals December 1, 2023, through January 31, 2024. The office will be hosting a virtual dog show on its website during this time.

The Ohio Revised Code requires all dogs over the age of three months to have a dog tag. Dog tags also serve an important role in helping return lost dogs to their homes and rightful owners. Tags can be purchased for one year, three years, or the lifetime of the dog by visiting the Auditor’s Office or online through our website at <https://www.doglicenses.us/OH/Fairfield/>. There are also several satellite locations, listed on the following page, that sell one-year licenses.

The Auditor’s Office will also host a pup-theme coloring contest the month of January 2024. Information will be sent to schools and posted on our website.

Additionally, the Auditor’s Office is pleased to announce our second annual **virtual dog show!** Fairfield County residents are invited to submit a photo of their dog (past or present) along with the dog’s name. The photos will then be displayed on the Auditor’s website at <https://www.co.fairfield.oh.us/auditor/>. The virtual dog show will run from December 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024. Submissions will be accepted at any time from now until January 31st.

Submissions for the virtual dog show can be emailed to rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov. Submissions can also be mailed to or dropped off to the Fairfield County Auditor’s Office, 210 East Main Street, 2nd Floor, Room 206 Lancaster, Ohio 43130.

Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor, stated, “It is that time of year again to make sure your family dog is licensed. We are encouraging people to get their licenses to help make sure that lost dogs find their way home. We offer a really convenient option with the online registration. Also, it is going to be fun for everyone to participate in the virtual dog show again this year. There are so many adorable, loveable dogs who are treasured in our county.”

For more information or if you have questions regarding dog licenses, or other matters, please contact the Auditor’s Administrative Office at (740) 652-7020.

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Fairfield County Auditor announces that 2024 dog licenses will go on sale beginning December 1st. A dog license must be purchased for any dog three (3) months of age or older. All licenses will be available for sale at the Auditor’s office located on the second floor of the Court House in Lancaster weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. One-year licenses will also be sold at various locations throughout the county which are listed below (Additional \$0.75 charge will apply*). You also have the option to purchase a 3 year tag or a permanent tag (Only available through the Auditor’s office). Multi-year tags are non-refundable and cannot be transferred to a different dog. **Dog tags can be ordered online at <https://www.doglicenses.us/OH/Fairfield/>** (License processing fee applies).

Dog license applications may be printed from our Internet site (www.co.fairfield.oh.us/auditor). Please be sure the description of your dog(s) is accurate (i.e. breed, spayed/neutered, age, sex, color, hair length, etc.) and send the completed form along with your check or money order to the County Auditor’s Office, 210 E. Main Street Room 206, Lancaster, OH 43130.

**There is no additional .75 charge for tags purchased through the Auditor’s office, or the Dog Shelter (at Granville Pike or satellite location)*

NOTE: The 2024 registration fees** are as follows:

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| <u>Altered (Spayed/Neutered)***</u> | <u>Un-Altered</u> |
| One Year: \$20.00 | One Year: \$30.00 |
| Three Year: \$60.00 | Three Year: \$90.00 |
| Permanent: \$200.00 | Permanent: \$300.00 |
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| Dangerous Dog Registration: \$50.00 | |
| Kennel License (Vendor License Required): \$100.00 | |
| <i>(Kennel Licenses & Dangerous Dog Registrations are only available for sale at the Auditor’s office)</i> | |

***** Spayed/Neutered Discount**
To qualify for the discount, the dog must meet one of the criteria below:

1. Spayed or Neutered.
2. Advanced in years or has a medical condition preventing the dog from being spayed or neutered. (Vet signature required)
3. Used or intended to be used for breeding, showing or hunting. (Breed registry number, hunting license number, or vet signature required)
4. 9 months or younger.

** Licenses purchased after January 31, 2024 will be subject to a late penalty per ORC Section 955.01, 05.

A KENNEL LICENSE IS VALID FOR BREEDING THE DOGS FOR A FEE OR OTHER CONSIDERATION RECEIVED THROUGH A SALE, EXCHANGE, OR LEASE AND THAT IT IS NOT A HIGH-VOLUME BREEDER LICENSED UNDER CHAPTER 956 OF THE REVISED CODE. KENNEL LICENSES ARE ONLY AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE AUDITOR’S OFFICE.

One Year License Sale Locations (December 1, 2023 - January 31, 2024)

- Amanda:**
Marshall Grain Co. – 1 McKinley St.
Oakland Grocery & Hardware – 9101 Chillicothe Lanc Rd SW
- Baltimore:**
Ace Hardware - 8865 St. Rte. 158
- Bremen:**
First Bremen Bank – 119 Main St.
- Carroll:**
Creature Comforts Veterinary Center – 4685 Old Columbus Rd. NW
- Lancaster:**
County Dog Shelter – 1715 Granville Pike
Granville Milling – 1522 E. Main St.
Kroger – 1141 E. Main St.
Kroger – 1621 N. Memorial Dr.
Lancaster Animal Clinic – 1311 River Valley Blvd.
Pet Supplies ‘Plus’ - 1354 Ety Rd.

- Lithopolis:**
Faler’s Feed Store Inc. – 4360 Cedar Hill Rd. *Cash or Check Only
- Millersport:**
Feeder Creek Veterinary – 12575 Millersport Rd.
- Pickerington:**
Discount Drug Mart – 845 Hill Rd.
Kroger – 1045 Hill Rd.
Kroger – 7833 Refugee Rd.
- Rushville:**
Marathon – 3011 Market St.

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