



SOCIALISING YOUR DOG

To prevent your dog from nuisance barking or being a danger to the community:

- Socialise your dog in a range of locations with other dogs and people.
- Provide them with regular training and plenty of interaction.
- Exercise your dog daily.
- Keep them stimulated, particularly when you are not home for long periods of time.

If your dog is aggressive, anti-social or over-excitabile, please keep them on lead even when in an off-leash area.

LOST PETS

If your pet becomes lost, contact us or the Geelong Animal Welfare Society on 5248 2091.



Our animal management and information services team is here to help. If you have questions or need advice, from your duties as a pet owner, managing unwanted behaviours or pet services available, call us on 5272 5272.

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PET OWNERSHIP IN GREATER GEELONG



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Congratulations on becoming a pet owner. We hope you and your pets will be happy living here.

For the safety and wellbeing of both your pets and the community, you have responsibilities.

REGISTRATION

Dogs and cats over three months must be registered with us and wear their registration tag at all times. Registrations are renewed annually each April. If you are moving into the City of Greater Geelong and your dog or cat is currently registered with another municipality, you can transfer that registration free of charge. We reduce the fees by half for all new registrations from 10 October each year.



There are limits to the number of animals you can keep, dependent on your location and size of your property. If you exceed the maximum number permitted, you can apply for a multi-animal permit.

MICROCHIPPING

All dogs and cats over three months of age must be microchipped. Update your contact details with the Central Animal Records registry at

www.petaddress.com.au. If you are unsure if your pet is microchipped, or to whom, an animal management officer can scan your pet for free. Call us on 5272 5272.

DESEXING

Kittens can become parents at three months old. They can also be safely be desexed at this age. Cats must be desexed at the time

of registration. Exceptions exist for registered breeders.

It is recommended to desex dogs that are not used for breeding.

CAT CONFINEMENT

Keep your cat safe by confining them to your property, with secured fencing or a cat-proof enclosure if you have a backyard. There is a cat curfew between sunset and sunrise during which time your cat must be kept indoors.

Moving house is an ideal

time to transition your cat to become an indoor cat both day and night, keeping both your cat and wildlife safe from harm. To prevent confined cats developing behavioural problems provide climbing or scratching posts, toys and access to window ledges.



EXERCISING YOUR DOG

All public areas are designated as being 'on-leash', except where otherwise signed. You can view dog walking maps on our website, or download the Park your Pet app to search for off-leash reserves.

Whilst your dog is off-leash in a designated off-leash area, they must be under effective control - meaning your dog must always be within your sight and controlled immediately by voice command.

"Any garbage bin will do" to dispose of your dog's poo. Please make sure you always carry several poo bags with you.

