



Marion County
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Free rabies vaccines offered at Marion County dog license amnesty event

Marion County Dog Control will offer amnesty for late fees and licensing violations as well as provide licenses and vaccinations from **10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 22, 2010**, at the Jefferson Fire Hall at 189 N. Main St. in Jefferson. “We understand that people are struggling during these tough economic times and we want to do what we can to help our community,” said Sonya Heard, office manager. For that reason, **free Rabies vaccinations will be offered to the first 250 dogs whose owners purchase or renew a Marion County dog license** and will be done on a first-come / first-served basis.

Willamette Valley Animal Hospital will also provide low-cost vaccinations for dogs. Rabies vaccinations for dogs will be \$8.00, Corona vaccinations \$9.00, DHPP vaccinations \$10.00, DHLPP vaccinations \$10.00, and Bordatella vaccinations \$10.00.

Licenses are \$17 a year for neutered or spayed dogs and \$32 for unaltered dogs. Proof of neutering or spaying must be provided to receive the reduced fee. Multi-year licenses are also available. The license fee is \$5 for seniors 65 and older with a spayed or neutered dog. Please bring a check or exact change. Dogs must be on leashes or in carriers.

All owners and keepers of dogs in Marion County are required by law to purchase a license when a dog reaches six months of age. Licenses are also required within 30 days of becoming a dog owner or moving into Marion County. License fees support the work of the dog control program, which rescues stray and injured dogs, handles dog complaints, and helps ensure the safety of the community through enforcement, education, and mediation.

For more information, call (503) 588-5233.

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