

Marion County

DOG SERVICES

3550 Aumsville Hwy. SE, Salem, Oregon 97317

Who We Are

Since 2006, shelter staff, volunteers, and partnering stakeholders have been committed to quality shelter practices and care for all lost and stray dogs in our care. Our mission is centered on protecting and serving the people and dogs of Marion County in a professional and courteous manner.

Under ORS 609.100 and Marion County Code 6.05.060, Dog Services administers and enforces control codes, dog licensing and animal rescue registrations, provides shelter and care for lost dogs, and protects county residents through the enforcement of control codes, addressing complaints, licensing, and educating the community.

What We Do

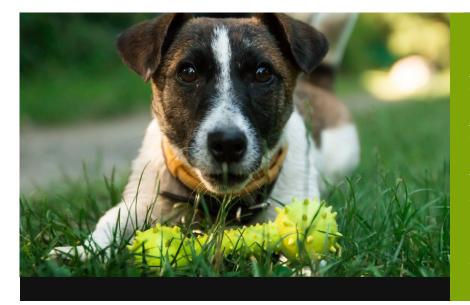
Marion County Dog Services provides shelter, medical care, reunification, behavior and pet ownership education, and adoption services to nearly 1,600 dogs each year. These services are made possible through the support of county resources, service fees, grants, and community-based donations.

Beyond community safety, the shelter strives to return as many dogs to the community as safely possible: return to owner, adoption, or rescue placement.

"Throughout my childhood, I was blessed with four-legged friends some came with a history of their own.

I take pride in our shelter's work and knowing that we reunite lost dogs with their families and help others find their "fur-ever" family.

Tamra Goettsch, Director



Hours of Operation

<u>Licensing: 503.588.5233</u> Tuesday-Saturday: 8am to 5:30pm <u>Adoption and Viewing</u> Tuesday-Saturday: 8am to 5pm <u>Lost Dogs Accepted</u>

Monday: 8am to 5pm Tuesday-Saturday: 8am to 5:30pm

Lost Dogs Returned Monday: 1:00 to 4:00 pm Tuesday-Saturday: 8am to 5:30pm

www.MCDogs.net



Licensing helps lost pets be reunited with their families

Dog Licensing Information

Marion County Code 6.05.060 requires all dogs in Marion County be vaccinated against rabies and licensed within 30 days of a person becoming the dog's owner, keeper, or moving to Marion County. Puppy licenses are free until the dog turns six months of age or has its permanent canine teeth; then the dog must be licensed and vaccinated. *Failure to license your dog can result in an infraction and fine of up to \$360.*

Licenses can be purchased in person from a participating veterinarian's office, Gervais City Hall, Marion County Community Services (downtown Salem), Marion County Public Works (northeast Salem), or at the shelter (southeast Salem).

When licensing your dog, the following information must be provided: Valid rabies vaccination certificate, a certificate of sterilization to receive the neuter discount, and proof of owner's age, if receiving a senior discount. Licenses cannot be issued past the rabies vaccination expiration date per ORS 333.019.0019(6). Certificates valid for less than 12 months are accepted, yet will result in a shorter license period and the fee will not be reduced. Visit www.mcdogs.net for more licensing information.

Dog License Fees

	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years
Neutered	\$17	\$31	\$45
Non-neutered	\$32	\$61	\$90
Neutered, owned by senior (65+)*	\$5	\$10	\$15
Puppies, under 6 mos. or no canines	FREE		

*Proof of age required

Dog Licensing Locations:

Marion County Community Services: 555 Court Street NE, Suite 3120, Salem Marion County Public Works: 5155 Silverton Rd. NE, Salem Marion County Dog Services: 3550 Aumsville Hwy. SE, Salem Gervais City Hall: 592 4th Street, Gervais Mail in or Online: 3550 Aumsville Hwy. SE, Salem, OR 97317 - <u>www.mcdogs.net</u>

Why License?

Licensing ensures dogs receive a rabies vaccination, which is potentially fatal to humans and other animals.

It tells dog control officers that the dog has an owner.

Dogs with licenses are held for at least 5 days while the county tries to contact the family.

Licensing is affordable, yet failure to obtain a license can mean a fine of up to \$360.

License fees provide important funding for control officers to serve the public.

It is the law!

Missing Dog?

Call the shelter at 503.588.5366 or visit <u>www.mcdogs.net</u>

Visit the shelter

Place an ad or post flyers

Check social media and other websites for missing/found dog listings

Check with local veterinarians



For a list of licensing veterinarian partners, visit: www.mcdogs.net

Adoption Fee

All dog adoptions are \$175

Our adoption fee includes:

- spaying or neutering, if needed
- veterinarian's health exam
- first vaccinations
- microchip identification
- Marion County dog
 license
- sample bag of Hill's Science Diet® dog food.

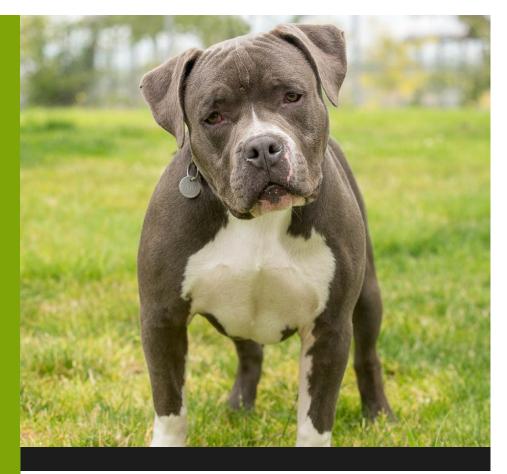
Plus, you get a great new forever friend. What a deal!

For more information about adoptions, call the shelter at 503.588.5233 or visit our website www.mcdogs.net



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Shelter Dog Adoptions

If you are looking for a new addition to your family, consider the Marion County Dog Shelter! We have many great dogs that are in need of a new home. Adoptable dogs can be viewed on our website <u>www.mcdogs.net</u> and at the shelter.

Once you're ready to adopt, you'll need to visit the shelter, complete an adoption questionnaire, and meet with one of our adoption specialists. Our goal is to help you select a dog that will be compatible with your lifestyle.

There are numerous factors to consider before welcoming a new fourlegged companion into your home. The following are a few important items to think about:

- Commitment—general life expectancy is between 10 to 18 years.
- Lifestyle—it's important to select a dog whose personality and care needs fit your family.
- Health—dogs that are adoptable were lost dogs that don't have prior medical histories available. We make every effort to send home healthy dogs.
- Behavior—our staff are available to offer suggestions and guidance to help you integrate your new pet into your home.
- Expense—pet ownership comes with some built-in costs.

Dog Control & Barking

Barking is one of the ways that dogs communicate. It can signify anything from playfulness to danger. Dogs bark from situations that cause discomfort, but barking excessively should not be part of a dog's life and can be a signal of a distress.

Marion County Code 6.05.050 states a disturbing dog noise is described as barking, whining, howling, or similar sounds. If a dog makes these noises for more than fifteen minutes on at least three different days within a ten-day period or for more than five minutes during at least three different nights between 10pm and 7am within a ten-day period, this is a violation of this ordinance and can result in a \$250 fine.

Communication between neighbors and dog owners are encouraged to resolve noise issues. However, mediation assistance is also available through Neighbor-2-Neighbor. They can be contacted at 503.585.0651 or http://n2nmediation.org/

Live in the city? File a barking dog complaint with the appropriate law enforcement agency for your jurisdiction.

Live in the county? Contact Marion County Dog Services at 503.588.5233.



Foster Care Program

Marion County Dog Shelter depends on foster homes to provide care that is not possible or ideal in a shelter environment.

Emergencies?

Marion County Dog Control Officers and local law enforcement are available to help with dog emergencies. Please call if any of the following are in progress:

- Seriously injured dogs
- Dog bites when the dog is still at large
- Dogs are into livestock and the event is in progress
- Aggressive dogs are running at large

Call Dog Services at 503.588.5233 or call your appropriate law enforcement agency

Woodburn Dogs

If you are having a problem with a dog within the city limits of Woodburn, call:

503.982.5243

That care can be as simple as socializing a puppy until it is old enough for adoption, caring for a dog that is undergoing medical treatment, or providing training for an unsocialized dog. Some animals only need a home for the weekend and some for as much as three months.

By offering your time, energy, love, and home to a dog in need, you help prepare them for adoption into a permanent home, as well as prevent overcrowding in the shelter. The rewards are great and the time commitment is up to you.

Providing a temporary home to a homeless dog is not only a rewarding experience, it saves lives! To learn more about becoming a foster family, contact the shelter at 503.588.5233, visit our website for a foster application, or email ALYoung@co.marion.or.us.

Foster Family Qualifications

- Foster parents must be able to provide a safe, loving, and suitable environment for the foster dog.
- Foster parents must be over 18 years of age.
- Experience with dog behavioral or medical issues is a plus, but is not a requirement.
- Foster parents must be able to transport their foster dog to and from Marion County Dog Shelter.