

RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP

Confining your dog

Just ensuring our dogs are confined to the property can easily reduce a large proportion of dog management problems. The majority of dog attacks are the result of inadequate confinement, and occur within close proximity to the dog's home. Many people are unaware of their responsibilities where dogs are concerned. If you agree to look after a dog for someone the law defines you as the owner whilst it is in your care. If the dog escapes from your yard and attacks another dog or a person, you would be deemed to be the owner and may be prosecuted for the dog's actions. If you live on acreage and cannot afford to fence the whole property, fence off a section or build a kennel and run.

Dog Training

Many problems with dogs can be overcome with the correct training and advice. Puppy preschool is a great way to introduce your puppy to the world. It reduces some forms of aggression in dogs and encourages acceptance of adults, children and other dogs. Environmental enrichment for your pets in the form of chew toys or scratching objects may stimulate your pet's mind and help minimise boredom. Owners experiencing behavioural problems with their dogs should contact a trainer for advice, whether it is barking, digging or a bit too boisterous. Different forms of training available locally are in the form of group training in a park or one-on-one training at home.

REGISTRATION FEES

Any Dog (Not Sterilised)	\$105
Any Dog (Sterilised) Owners wishing to claim initial reduced fees for sterilized dogs must provide a Veterinarian Certificate or sign the below statutory declaration.	\$34
1st Dog (Not Sterilised) owned by pensioner or health care card holder	\$39
1st Dog (Sterilised) owned by pensioner or health care card holder The concessional fee for pensioner is for the first dog only and subject to production of a current Pension Card or Health Care Card. Any additional dog kept by the pensioner shall be registered at the full applicable rate.	\$25
Obedience Trained Dog (Not Sterilised)	\$39
Obedience Trained Dog (Sterilised) Owners wishing to claim reduced fees for a trained dog must provide certification of training from a recognised Canine Club to the level of Community Companion Dog or equivalent as recognised by the Australian National Kennel Council and approved by the General Manager.	\$25
Working Dog Owners wishing to claim reduced fees for farm stock style Working Dogs will be required to provide sufficient evidence.	\$34
TCA Registered Breeding Dog Owners wishing to claim reduced fees for Breeding Dogs registered with the TCA must produce the relevant identification cards.	\$34
Greyhounds Registered with TGRB Owners wishing to claim reduced fees for Greyhounds registered with the TGRB must produce the relevant identification cards.	\$34
Guide Dogs, Assistance and Therapy Dogs Evidence will be required that Guide, Assistance or Therapy Dogs, has or is being trained by an approved institution.	Nil
Restricted Breeds, Declared Dangerous Dogs and Guard Dogs	\$105

METHODS OF PAYMENT



PAYMENT BY MAIL

- Cheque or money orders to be made payable to KINGBOROUGH COUNCIL
(postdated cheques will not be accepted)
- Mail payment, together with Registration Notice to:
Kingborough Council Civic Centre
15 Channel Highway – Locked Bag 1
Kingston TAS 7050



PAYMENT IN PERSON

- Present Registration Notice together with your payment at the Council Offices.
- Hours of operation are 8.30am – 5.00pm Monday to Friday.



HONORARY DECLARATION - STERILISATION

TO BE COMPLETED IF THE ANIMAL IS STERILISED AND PROOF HAS NOT BEEN SUPPLIED

This declaration must be signed and witnessed below

I, _____ of _____

In the State of Tasmania do solemnly and sincerely declare that the following information listed relates to a sterilised dog owned by me, for which I understand that a person supplying false information is liable to prosecution under the *Dog Control Act 2000*.

Sex	Age	Breed	Colour	Place & date of sterilisation

Signature of applicant: _____ Witness: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Privacy Statement

The information that the Council is collecting from you is personal information required under the *Personal Information Act 2004*. The intended recipients of the information are officers of the Kingborough Council in order to carry out Council business. Personal information will be used only for the purposes described in the Act, or may be disclosed if authorised by law. The supply of the information by you is not voluntary, if you cannot provide the information sought, Kingborough Council will not be able to process your application. You may make an application to access or amend the information held by the Council by contacting the relevant Council Officer on 03 6211 8200.