

This guide to dog control has been prepared in the hope that it may be of some assistance to dog owners as to their rights and obligations under the Dog Act. (Copies of the Dog Act 1976 may be purchased from the State Law Publisher, Ground Floor, 10 William Street, Perth.) However, this guide contains only a summary of the law which applies to the average dog owner, it is no substitute for professional legal advice on specific points.

## **DOG REGISTRATION**

Dog owners are required by law to have all dogs over the age of three months registered with Local Councils.

Dog registrations are valid throughout Western Australia. In other words, if your dog is registered with the City of Mandurah, and you move to any other place within the state, you do not need to pay again. Your dog's registration can be transferred over. All you need to do is see the Local Council who will issue you with the same expiry tag, but with that Council's own stamp and number.

The period of registration ("dog year") runs from 1 November to 31 October, regardless of the date when the dog is actually registered.

**RESTRICTED BREEDS (eg pit bull or pit bull cross) must be registered and sterilised under the Dog (Restricted Breeds) Regulations 2006. These dogs must be kept under strict conditions and muzzled when in public. Please ask for full Regulations and conditions for owners.**

### **CURRENT REGISTRATION FEES ARE:**

STERILISED – 1 Year \$10.00    3 Year \$18.00    UNSTERILISED – 1 Year \$30.00    3 Year \$75.00

Holders of a current Pensioner Concession Card (which must be produced at time of registration or renewal) receive a 50% discount.

**NOTE: A registered veterinary surgeon's certificate or statutory declaration must be produced to be eligible for sterilisation rates.**

When registering with the City of Mandurah, two tags will be issued. The number on the white tag is your dog's number for life and this tag is not reissued. The coloured tag will be changed each time the dog is re-registered. In addition to the dog's registration tags provided, the owner's name and address must be attached to its collar.

## **LIMITATION AS TO NUMBERS**

Only two (2) dogs are allowed to be kept at any one residence. You may keep puppies until they reach the age of three months. An application must be made to Council's Ranger Services (9550 3630) to keep more than two dogs. Kennel licenses are also to be submitted to Ranger Services for consideration.

## **WANDERING DOGS**

Please prevent your dog from wandering the streets alone. If it does, it could be seized by the Ranger and impounded. Poundage fees will be charged for the release of the dog. Sadly dogs that are not claimed after 72 hours may be euthanised.

Dogs must be kept on a leash, (not longer than 2 metres) in all public places; Whilst walking your dog on a leash you must be capable of controlling it, should for example, the dog attempt to run off or fight another dog. Even in "prescribed exercise areas" where dogs may be let off leashes, the dog must be under your "effective control." **This means you must have the leash with you and be able to restrain the dog and put the leash back on if necessary, immediately.** The owner of a dog may also be liable for the damage the dog causes to people and/or property whilst it is out of the owner's control, such as causing a car accident by running onto the road.

## **DOG ATTACK**

Heavy penalties will be imposed under the Act if a dog chases or attacks any person, animal or bird even if no injury is caused. (Maximum penalty \$10,000.) Always report any dog attacks to Ranger Services, whether or not an injury has been sustained.

## **EXCRETA**

***It is an offence to permit your dog to excrete on a street or in a public place.*** If it does occur, you are responsible for removal of your dog's excrement immediately. Free poo pouches are provided by the City of Mandurah near bins at many locations throughout the district for collection of dog faeces. Tying a bag to your lead ensures you are always able to clean up after your dog.

## **DOG NUISANCE -BARKING**

Barking is a dog's natural means of communication and often signifies its alertness to danger or intruders. However, a dog that persistently barks in a manner which is not considered to be normal can constitute a nuisance. If a dog barks continually without reason the cause may be lack of training, insufficient exercise, loneliness, inadequate shelter, ill health or deliberate or unintentional provocation by people or roaming dogs. Bark control collars can be hired from Ranger Services 5 Pinjarra Rd at reasonable rates should other bark control measures fail.

***These requirements do not apply to a person accompanied by a guide dog.***

Owners or persons liable for the control of a dog **MAY EXERCISE THAT DOG FREE OF RESTRAINT** on the following reserves & beaches:

### **BEACHES WHERE YOU MAY EXERCISE YOUR DOG**

- (a) That area of beach between the northern boundary of the district south to the western prolongation of Avoca Place, Madora. Access to the dog exercise area at Madora will be permitted via the beach access path next to the Tranby St car park toilets. Owners must move south once they are on the beach.
- (b) That area of beach between the southern perimeter boundary of the Tranby Street foreshore car park, Madora south to the western prolongation of Karinga Road, San Remo.
- (c) That area of beach between the western prolongation of the foreshore car park at the intersection of Ronsard and Watersun Drives, Watersun south to a point 200 metres north of Wade Street, Silver Sands.
- (d) That area of beach between the prolongation of the eastern boundary of Janis Street, east to the extremity of the western groyne, Peel Inlet entrance, Halls Head.
- (e) That area of beach between the point 80 metres south to the Calypso Street car park toilet block, south to the western prolongation of Gretel Street, Falcon.
- (f) That area of beach between the southern groyne of the Dawesville Cut entrance, south to the northern boundary of Hunter Street car park, Florida.
- (g) That area of beach between the western prolongation of Henry Road, Melros, south to the southern boundary of the local government.

## **RESERVES WHERE YOU MAY EXERCISE YOUR DOG**

- (a) Reserve No: 26347 bounded by Challenger Road and Tranby Street, Madora.
- (b) Reserve No: 25043 "Karinga Reserve" bounded by Karinga Road, San Remo.
- (c) Reserve No: 35461 bounded by Mandurah Terrace, Silver Sands, excluding the area fenced and set aside as a children's Playground.
- (d) Reserve No: 28458 bounded by Dampier Avenue, Novara.
- (e) Reserve No: 32836 "Coodanup Foreshore" bounded by Peel Parade, between the southern prolongation of Beacham Street east to William Road, Nairns.
- (f) Reserve 40075 Leslie Street Reserve - Corner Leslie Street and Waterside Drive, Dudley Park.
- (g) Reserves 27810 and 37290 - western side of Mandurah Terrace from Adonis Street to. Watersun Drive, Silver Sands.
- (h) Reserve 37529 – Amazon Drive Reserve (abutting the Bypass Road) excluding the playground equipment area which is a prohibited dog area.
- (i) Portion of Reserve 27051 (not named) -Bounded by Calypso Street and McLarty Road, Halls Head, excluding the car park, toilet and picnic area of the reserve, which is to be a prohibited dog area.
- (j) Reserve 44657- Wilderness Drive, Dawesville.
- (k) Portion of Reserve 36027 –Estuary Road Foreshore Reserve -from the western side of the existing dual use path on Estuary Road, Dawesville to the estuary foreshore as of the northern commencement of Estuary Road, south to the southern prolongation of Iluka Street, Dawesville. Then to recommence again within the Reserve from the southern prolongation of Loton Road Dawesville south, to the commencement of Warragup Springs picnic area off Estuary Road, Dawesville.

**The owner or person liable for the control of the DOG SHALL PREVENT THAT DOG FROM ENTERING OR BEING on the following beaches and reserves whether the dog is restrained or not.**

## **BEACHES WHERE DOGS ARE PROHIBITED**

- (a) That area of beach between the northern boundary of the prolongation of Bengal Street, south to the prolongation of the southern boundary of the Tranby Street foreshore car park.
- (b) That area of beach between the prolongation of the northern boundary of Eros Place south to the northern boundary of the prolongation of Acheron Street.
- (c) That area of beach between the prolongation of the northern boundary of Wade Street, south to the southern boundary of the prolongation of Stewart Street.
- (d) That area of beach between the prolongation of the eastern boundary of Janis Street, west to the prolongation of the western boundary of Sharland Street.
- (e) That area of beach between the prolongation of the southern boundary of Valley Road south to the prolongation of the southern boundary of lot 562 Halls Head Parade.
- (f) That area of beach between the prolongation of the northern boundary of Gretel Drive south to the prolongation of the southern boundary of Philante Street.
- (g) That area of beach between the prolongation of the southern boundary of Mercedes Avenue, west to the eastern boundary of the boat launching facility.
- (h) That area of beach between the prolongation of the southern boundary of Yeedong Road, south to the prolongation of the southern boundary of Burna Street.
- (i) That area of beach between the prolongation of the northern perimeter of the Florida Beach car park south to the prolongation of the southern perimeter of the Florida Beach car park.
- (j) That area of beach between the northern perimeter of the Melros Beach Road foreshore car park, south to the prolongation of the western boundary of Henry Road.

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- (a) "McLennon Park" (Reserve No: 27512) bounded by Sabrina Drive and Madora Beach Road, Madora Bay.
- (b) "Eros Place Reserve" (Reserve No: 35553) bounded by Eros Place and Orestes Street, San Remo.
- (c) "Watersun Reserve" (Reserve No: 35281) bounded by Hickman Road and Maritime Drive, Watersun.
- (d) "Caterpillar Park" (Reserve No: 34267) within the Milgar Street Reserve bounded by Park Road and Reserve Drive, Mandurah.
- (e) "Rushton Park" (Reserve No: 19312) bounded by Dower, Thomson and Clarice Street, Mandurah.
- (f) "Town Cemetery" bounded by Coolibah. Drive and Cemetery Drive, Mandurah.
- (g) "Lakes Memorial Cemetery" bounded by Stock and Marginata Roads, Parklands.
- (h) "Eacott Park" (Reserve No: 26535) bounded by Wanda and Manjeep Roads, Riverside Gardens.
- (i) "Samuel Refrey Reserve" bounded by Allnutt and Rockford Streets, Mandurah.
- (j) "Woodlands Park" (Reserve No: 41583) bounded by Casuarina Drive and Everlasting Retreat, Halls Head.
- (k) "Falcon Foreshore Reserve" bounded by Spinaway Parade, Falcon.
- (l) "Halls Head Foreshore Reserve" (Reserve No: 25588) bounded by Halls Head Parade, between the northern prolongation of Janis Street, west to a point 80 metres beyond the northern prolongation of Sharland Street. Halls Head.
- (m) "Falcon Oval" (Reserve No: 32501) bounded by Lynda, Flame and Melita Streets, Falcon.
- (n) "Merlin Street Reserve" (Reserve No:27874) bounded by Merlin Street and Old Coast Road, Falcon.
- (o) "Teranca Road Reserve" (Reserve No: 44548) bounded by Kookaburra Drive and Minilya Parkway, Greenfields.
- (p) "Peelwood Parade Reserve" (Reserve No: 38615) bounded by Old Coast Road and Peelwood Parade, Halls Head.
- (q) "Falcon Reserve" (Reserve No: 98.93) bounded by Xavier Street, Old Coast Road and Flavier Street, Falcon.
- (r) "Bortolo Park Reserve" (Reserve No: 41733) bounded by Bortolo Drive, Murdoch Drive and Waldron Boulevard and Lowden Road, Greenfields.
- (s) "Allnutt Street Reserve" (Reserve No: 29922) bounded by Allnutt Street, Park Road and Gray Road, Mandurah.
- (t) "Coote Street Reserve" (Reserve No: 26346) bounded by Challenger Road and Orelia Street, Madora Bay.

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