

A DOG'S TAIL Tale



The Animal Services Team would like to say a huge **thank you** to the lovely person who nominated last year's *A Dog's Tale* for the People's Choice Award in the 2021 New Zealand Plain English Awards. We were very proud to be a finalist in this category, and hope you all enjoy this year's edition.

PAY REGO ONLINE AND WIN!

Registering your dog early could pay off! Your dog's current registration expires on the 30 June 2022 and this year all dogs registered by that date will automatically go into the draw to win one of three prize packs. All dogs registered by 31 July will go into the draw to win a refund of this year's registration. There are three to be won!

DECEASED DOG?

If your dog passes away during the registration year you are entitled to a partial refund from the month you notify Council. The Deceased Dog Declaration can be completed via our website or in person at our Queen Street office.

OFF-LEASH AREAS

You can let your dogs run free in the following places, as long as they are under voice controlled supervision.

LOCATION	RESTRICTIONS
Henley Lake	All areas controlled by the Henley Lake Management Plan with the exception of leash restrictions imposed between 1 August and 30 November in signposted areas to protect breeding birds
Lansdowne Recreation Trail	Including Ngāti te Korou Reserve
Waipoua River	Banks, up to and including top of the stop bank
Waingawa Northern River Bank and South Road	South from the intersection with Manaia Road South
Castlepoint Beach	Beach-front north of DOC reserve (also known as the Basin), excluding the far end of the reef where birds breed (by the area known as 'the gap') and the period between 20 December and 31 January*
Riversdale Beach	Beach-front (excluding the northern end and Southern Reserve where birds breed) except between 20 December and 31 January*
Ruamāhunga River bank	Town-side north of Te Ore Ore Road bridge, including Percy's Reserve
Renall Street	Railway reserve

* This period is excluded due to increased population over the holiday period.

"Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our life whole."

ARE YOUR DETAILS CORRECT?

If we need to reunite you with your furry friend, we have to be able to contact you:

- Are your registration contact details up to date? Make sure you update them when you register, including a daytime phone number.
- Make sure we have your dog's microchip details on file.

DOG OWNERSHIP

Only one person may be listed as the registered owner of a dog – you can have a second person on your account as an emergency contact but they cannot be a joint registered owner.



DOG COLOURS

We know you may consider your doggie to be "apricot" but the registration system uses standard colours that are set nationally. When you receive your registration, please don't be offended if your "apricot" doggie is listed as "orange"

DOG SAFETY TALKS

Do you need dog education for your community group or organisation?

We are able to come any time during the year that fits with your schedule and give a brief presentation on dog safety and bite prevention in a safe, controlled environment. This is delivered by an Animal Services Officer and Scruffy (the star of the show).

For more information and to book, contact the Animal Services team on 06 370 6300.

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2020/21 THE STATS

6163 DOGS REGISTERED
98% OF KNOWN DOGS

796 WANDERING
STRAY AND LOST
DOG REPORTS

1546 REQUESTS FOR
SERVICE
(CALL-OUTS)

211 DOGS IMPOUNDED 

184 OF THESE
RETURNED TO OWNER 

& 24 REHOMED 

RETURNED TO OWNER

DID YOU KNOW?

- Dogs must be on a leash in the Masterton urban area unless in a designated off-leash area. These are set out on the previous page or you can search 'where can I take my dog' on the Council website.
- A maximum of two dogs are permitted to reside on any Masterton urban property without a permit. Permit applications for more than two dogs can be found on our website.
- If you keep an unregistered dog at your property you are committing an offence, even if you are not the "owner" of that dog.
- You must provide your date of birth when registering your dog. As well as being a requirement under the Dog Control Act 1996, it also helps to distinguish you from someone else with the same name.

Don't forget to scoop your poop and keep our community tidy!

