

## **ANNUAL PERMITS FOR NON-DESEXED CATS AND DANGEROUS/RESTRICTED DOGS**

The NSW Government has introduced annual permits for non-desexed cats and restricted and dangerous dogs as part of its commitment to promoting responsible pet ownership and improving animal welfare standards.

Owners of cats not desexed by four months of age are required to pay an \$80 annual permit in addition to their one-off lifetime pet registration fee. This will create a stronger incentive to desex cats, which in turn will improve their health and wellbeing, including reducing the risk of some cancers.

Anyone registering a cat on the NSW Pet Registry will be informed that they must pay for an \$80 annual permit if their animal is not de-sexed by four months of age.

Owners of dogs of a restricted breed or formally declared to be dangerous are required to pay a \$195 annual permit in addition to their one-off lifetime pet registration fee. Animal permits for dangerous and restricted dogs will improve community safety by helping to reduce ownership of high-risk dogs and encouraging owners to better manage the behaviour of their animal.

You can pay for annual permits using the [NSW Pet Registry Website](#) or at Council's Customer Experience Centre's at Dubbo and Wellington.

If you require any further information or assistance, please contact the NSW Pet Registry at [pets@olg.nsw.gov.au](mailto:pets@olg.nsw.gov.au) and 1300 134 460.