



DUBBO CITY ANIMAL SHELTER

The Dubbo City Animal Shelter is managed by Council. The Shelter is provided as a service to residents in the Local Government Area for lost and stray cats and dogs. The Shelter offers microchipping, registration, sale of dangerous dog merchandise and adoption of unclaimed animals.

The Shelter is a safe haven for lost and stray cats and dogs, keeping them protected until their owner (or a new owner) can be found. Fees apply for the release of impounded animals and animals must be registered before release.

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LOCATION AND OPENING HOURS

The Dubbo City Animal Shelter is located at 189 Boothenba Road, Dubbo at the corner of Yarrandale Road.

[Click here to show in Google Maps](#)

Open Monday - Saturday: 11.30 am - 1.30 pm

The Shelter is closed on Sundays and public holidays.

Animal Shelter: 6801 4640

Ranger Services: 6801 4000

Email: council@dubbo.nsw.gov.au

Facebook: fb.com/Dubbocityanimalshelter

IVE FOUND A LOST DOG OR CAT?

In accordance with the NSW Companion Animals Act, 1998, if you find a lost animal you are required to deliver it to a Council shelter (pound) or a vet within 72 hours. The owner may be looking for the animal and therefore Council needs to check the microchip and contact the owner. All Dubbo vets can check the microchip and contact the owner or, if not microchipped, they will contact Council for collection. After hours pens are available at the Animal Shelter for the public to drop off lost and stray dogs and cats at any time and the pens are checked daily. Please complete the appropriate form when leaving an animal as information provided could assist in finding the owner or re-homing the animal as soon as possible. Once impounded, unless surrendered by the registered owner, identified animals must be kept for 14 days. Unidentified animals must be kept for seven days. If the animal remains unclaimed it then becomes the property of Council and may be made available for adoption or offered to a rescue group.

IVE LOST MY DOG OR CAT

If you have lost your dog or cat, please contact the Animal Shelter as soon as possible. If we do not yet have your pet impounded, we can take your details and contact you if it does end up being impounded. Social media can also be very effective and there are a number of pet lost and found Facebook pages for the Dubbo area. The Animal Shelter also has a Facebook page where you can post a picture of your lost pet. We regularly post animals that have been impounded but please do not rely on these posts only as not all animals are included. Give us a call or drop in during opening hours to check if your lost animal is currently in our care.

I WANT TO SURRENDER MY DOG/CAT

We understand that the unexpected can occur which may mean you can no longer care for your pet. To give your pet the best chance of a loving home, it is suggested that you make your own enquiries to rehome your pet before contacting us. If you have no other option you may surrender your dog or cat to us. The legal owner must complete a signed Surrender Form. A small surrender fee applies to cover the costs of assessing and keeping your animal while arrangements are made for its care. If your pet is already impounded with us and you do not wish to claim it, we request a Surrender Form to be completed so that we can commence rehoming arrangements as soon as possible.

Surrender Form (182.5KB)

FEES AND CHARGES

By law, all animals must be microchipped and registered before leaving the Shelter. Registration fees are prescribed by the NSW Companion Animals Act, 1998. Council cannot reduce these fees and they must be paid in full before a pet can be released.

2018/2019 COUNCIL FEES

- Release - \$33

- Release (repeat offender) - \$94
- Maintenance - \$30/day
- Vet costs - actual cost + 12.5%
- Microchipping - \$35
- Engraved ID tag - \$11.00
- Animal surrender - \$58
- Dangerous dog signs - \$57
- Dangerous dog collars (S, M, L and XL) - \$42-\$60

2018/2019 REGISTRATION FEES

- Not desexed - \$207
- Desexed - \$57
- Desexed - pensioner rate - \$24
- Desexed - adopted from RSPCA/Council - \$28.50

Follow this link for further information on microchipping and registration.

ADOPTIONS

Many of our unclaimed animals are made available for adoption. All animals undergo a basic behaviour assessment and vet check and are vaccinated, wormed, desexed, microchipped and registered.

To help make your decision about getting a dog, read our brochure: [Buying a Puppy \(572.6KB\)](#)

Animals available can be viewed on our Facebook page [Monthly album](#)

Once you have decided to adopt, paid the relevant fees and completed the necessary paperwork, the animal will be booked in for desexing and you will be advised when you can collect it directly from the vet. If it is already desexed, you can take your new pet home straight away. Our adoption fee includes the cost of microchipping and the associated vet costs and therefore are subject to change depending on the vet's costs.

2018/2019 ADOPTION FEES

- Dog/Cat already desexed - \$130 + rego*
- Not already desexed:
 - Male dog - \$378 + rego*

- Female dog - \$424 + rego*
- Cats - price on request

* Registration is only required if an animal is not already lifetime registered in NSW. The registration fee for adoptions from the Shelter is currently \$28.50 or \$24 if registered by a pensioner.

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