

Animals are regulated in the City of Los Banos by the Animal Control Branch of the Police Department's Code Enforcement Division. Code Enforcement Officer Jason Martin is responsible for Animal Control Services. Jason will respond to your animal control needs and can answer your animal control questions. You may call him or leave a message at (209) 827-7070 ext. 252.

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The City of Los Banos Animal Control Branch encourages pet owners to be responsible for their pets. Responsibility promotes a general well being for the animals while upholding high standards of safety for our community.

Los Banos Volunteers for Animals

The Los Banos Volunteers for Animals is a group of people who love animals and work tirelessly to get them adopted or sent to rescue. The Volunteers for Animals help with:

- Morning "wake up" and evening "tuck in" of animals at the shelter;
- Opening the shelter on Saturdays from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. for adoptions;
- Fostering, socializing and caring for the animals at the shelter; and
- Working with animal rescues to transfer dogs and cats at the shelter that have not yet found a home.

Interested in becoming an Animal Control Volunteer? Applications are available at the Los Banos Police Department, 945th Street, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you have further questions, please call (209) 827-7070 ext. 142.

City of Los Banos Animal Control

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Animal Control Services and Information Guide for Pet Owners



Frequently Asked Questions

When is a dog license required and what is the cost?

All dogs over the age of four (4) months require a license. Rabies vaccinations are required before a license can be issued. Vaccinations are valid for up to three years, so dog owners can bring in proof of vaccination and purchase a license for the same time frame as the vaccination certificate.

The cost of a license is as follows:

Spay/Neutered	
1 Year	\$10.00
2 Years	\$15.00
3 Years	\$20.00
Unaltered	
1 Year	\$50.00
2 Years	\$85.00
3 Years	\$115.00



Where can I purchase a dog license?

Dog licenses are available for purchase at the Police Department, 945 5th Street, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Does my dog need to wear the license?

Yes, the City's municipal code requires that the license tag be affixed to the dog's collar where it should be worn at all times.

I've lost my pet, what do I do?

After searching your neighborhood, visit the Los Banos Animal Shelter to look for your lost pet. Visit the shelter as often as possible to look for your pet because only you can positively identify your lost pet. The Los Banos Volunteers for Animals also has a Facebook page, www.facebook.com/LosBanosVolunteersForAnimals, with photos of the animals at the shelter. If you find your pet at the shelter, you will be required to provide proof of ownership.



What does "spay" and "neuter" really mean?

Female dogs and cats are spayed by removing their ovaries and uterus, and male dogs and cats are neutered by removing their testicles. In both cases the operation is performed under anesthesia.

Benefits of spaying or neutering your pet include:

- Helps dogs and cats live longer, healthier lives by preventing certain types of cancer and other diseases;
- Helps prevent your pet from spraying or marking you or your home;
- Helps to prevent behavior problems, aggression, and bite incidents; and
- Helps prevent pet overpopulation.

What if my dog has been impounded?

Your dog will be released after payment of impound and maintenance fees. A first time impound fee for a spay/neutered dog is \$45.00 and \$80.00 for an unaltered dog, plus a \$15.00 per day boarding fee, with fees increasing for additional impounds.

Are there other fines associated with Animal Control?

Yes, there are fines for animals at large, unlicensed dogs, and barking dogs. All of these violations impose an initial fine of \$50.00, with fine amounts increasing for repeat violations.

Who do I call to report a barking dog?

To report a dog that habitually barks, howls, or yelps, call (209) 827-7070 ext. 0.



Be a Responsible Pet Owner

- Always maintain control of your pet.
- Keep your dog on a leash when in public or away from your property.
- Make sure your pet always has clean water, food, and adequate shelter if left outside for any period of time.
- Never leave your pet unattended in your vehicle, especially during hot weather.
- Always provide your animal with required vaccinations as well as a wellness check up from a licensed veterinarian.
- Help control the animal population and have your pet spayed or neutered.

Are you looking to adopt a dog, cat, puppy, or kitten?

We have many animals in search of loving families. Come visit our animal shelter at 1010 Airport Road (off of West I Street). Call and make an appointment with the Animal Control Officer, or visit on Saturdays, when the Volunteers for Animals are at the shelter.

