

Dog and Cat Registration Form

Domestic Animals Act 1994

To be completed if registering a new animal with the Swan Hill Rural City Council or transferring a current registration from another Council to the Swan Hill Rural City Council.

Owner details <small>(Owner must be over 18 years of age)</small>	Name:	
	Postal:	
	Date of Birth:	Mobile:
Location of Animal <small>(if different from above)</small>	Name of Property Owner:	
	Property address:	Assessment No: <small>Office Use Only</small>
Pension discount	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Pension Number: <small>Copy of Pension Card required</small>

	Animal 1	Animal 2
Pet type	<input type="checkbox"/> Dog <input type="checkbox"/> Cat	<input type="checkbox"/> Dog <input type="checkbox"/> Cat
Pet's name		
Microchip no. <small>All boxes are to be filled in</small>		
Breed		
Colour		
Age / Date of Birth		
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Desexed? <small>Proof Required</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Work Dog?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Office use only (receipt type 23)	
Animal Id No.	
Tag No. Issued	
Amount Due	
Receipt No.	

Declaration

I hereby apply for registration of the animal/s above and declare the information supplied is true and correct.

Signature of owner: _____ **Date:** _____

Under the provision of the Domestic Animals Act 1994 it is an offence to knowingly provide false information.
 Up to 10 penalty units can apply.

The personal information requested on this form is being collected by Council for the provision of dog registration. This information will be used solely for animal registration and identification purposes. If this information is not collected, then this may impact on the assessment of the registration. The applicant understands that the personal information provided is for animal registration only, and that he or she may apply to Council for access to and/or amendments to the information.

Registration fees are due on 10 April annually

State Government legislation requires councils to register and control cats and dogs that are over the age of three months. If you are the owner of any cats or dogs over three months of age, they must be registered with Council.

The registration of any dog or cat is subject to compliance with the Domestic Animals Act 1994. Council's Community Local Law Number 2, also restricts the quantities of animals which can be kept on a property in the municipal district. See Section 71 of Councils Community Local Law No. 2, or the table below:

Type of animal	Maximum allowed in a residential area	Farming zones under 0.5 hectares and Rural living zones	Farming zones equal to or greater than 0.5 hectares
Dogs (includes working dogs)	2	2	5
Cats	2	2	2

A permit must be obtained from Council, if you wish to have more than the specified amount of animals at your property.

All dogs and cats must be implanted with a microchip before Council can accept the registration (a requirement since May 2007).

The fee set by Council to register a dog or cat is \$132 per animal per year.

If your animal meets one or more of the following, you will be eligible for a reduced fee:

If the animal is	The fee is reduced to
Desexed (certificate or letter from Vet required)	\$44
Over 10 years of age*	\$44
Part of a domestic animal business or applicable organisation (copy of credentials required)	\$44
A dog that has undergone training (copy of credentials required)	\$44
A working dog* To be eligible, the dog must be used primarily for the purpose of droving, tending, working or protecting stock. Livestock is defined as cattle, horses, sheep, pigs and goats.	\$22

* Proof required

- For a working dog— proof can be a statutory declaration, documentation to show the dog owner is a primary producer or uses the dog for employment purposes, or a tax invoice for the purchase stock.
- For a dog or cat over 10 years of age— proof can be a statutory declaration, letter from a vet, Council registration form, or documentation from a registered breeder.
- Other types of proof may be considered at the discretion of Council's Authorised Officers.

Eligible pension card holders will also receive a 50% discount on the calculated amount. Eligible pension cards are Centrelink Pensioner Card or Repatriation Health Card.

The fee for a Restricted Breed Dog, Dangerous Dog or Menacing Dog is **\$240**. Owners of these animals are not entitled to reduced fees.

Fines will also apply for animals found wandering at large by Council's Authorised Officers.

- Infringement for a dog at large during the daytime **\$273**
- Infringement for a dog at large during night time **\$363**
- Infringement for cat found in a restricted district **\$91**
- First offence pound release fee **\$77** per animal, plus **\$13** sustenance per day.

If you require any further information, please contact Council's Authorised Officers directly on 5036 2346.