



**BE A  
RESPONSIBLE  
PET OWNER.**

**Edmonton**

### **LICENSE YOUR PET**

In Edmonton, dogs and cats six months and older must have an up-to-date licence. This ensures the City can reach you if your pet is found. A licence provides your pet with one free ride home each year and free emergency veterinary care if it is found injured.

Licences are affordable and can be obtained and renewed by mail, in person or at **[eservices.edmonton.ca](https://eservices.edmonton.ca)**.

Licence fees pay for food, shelter, medical care and enrichment for approximately 6,000 lost and stray animals each year at the City's Animal Care & Control Centre. Fees also support responsible pet ownership education and enforcement.

## SPAY OR NEUTER YOUR PET

Fixing your pet reduces the city's feral animal populations and helps your pet stay happy and healthy. Spaying or neutering also curbs the animal's urge to roam, inhibits aggression and saves you money through lower pet licence fees.

## USE A LEASH

Your pets are safest at the end of a leash. While on public property, your pet must be kept on a leash no longer than two metres. Prevent your pet from roaming out of the yard by securing your property with a fence.

**TIP**

**Dogs are prohibited at all times from school grounds, sport fields, playgrounds and golf courses. Enjoy the benefits of walking your dog at one of Edmonton's 40 off-leash parks!**

## CONTROL BARKING

Responsible pet owners resolve barking concerns quickly. Dogs bark when they are bored, lonely and when they want to alert their owners. Provide training, exercise and attention to ensure your dog is being a good neighbour.

## SCOOP THE POOP

Animal feces is smelly and can be a health hazard. It can also attract unwelcome wildlife, such as coyotes, into your yard.

**TIP**

**Always carry bags with you on walks so you can pick up and dispose of your pet's waste. The fine for not picking up and excessive defecation on private property is \$100.**

For more information on responsible pet ownership, visit [edmonton.ca/pets](http://edmonton.ca/pets).