

## Schedule of Animal Fees & Fines

### Animal Registration Fee

- \$10 Spayed/neutered and/or microchipped
- \$10 Pet owners 62 years or older
- \$30 Not spayed/neutered

If you paid the \$30 fee and the pet is spayed/neutered at a later date during the effective period of the vaccination, you may receive a \$20 refund if you provide the City with documentation of the procedure from a veterinarian.

### Dog Adoption Fee

- \$100 Male
- \$125 Female

### Cat Adoption Fee

- \$80 Male
- \$110 Female

### Impound Fee

- \$20 per day (\$40 per day on weekend)

### Relinquish Fee

- \$40 Animal sign off
- \$56 Euthanasia

### Reclamation Fine (Not Including Impound Fee)

- \$25 First Offense      \$35 Second Offense
- \$45 Third Offense      \$55 Fourth Offense
- \$60 Unaltered animals over age of 6 months

### Animal Bite Fine

- \$75 Plus court fines and costs

### Domestic Animal Permit

- \$10

## Walk for a Dog

Don't just take your dog for a walk... Take your Walk for a Dog! Support the City of Arnold Animal Control shelter every time you walk your dog by using this fitness tracking app.

"Walk for a Dog" is a free smartphone app that can be found on the App Store and Google Play. Visit [WoofTrax.com](http://WoofTrax.com) for more information.

After downloading the app onto your smartphone, enroll and choose "City of Arnold Animal Control" as the animal organization you want you and your dog's walked miles to benefit. Thank you!



## For more information:

**Health, Animal, & Vector Control**  
**2912 Arnold Tenbrook Rd.**  
**Arnold MO, 63010**

**(636) 282-2387**  
**[www.arnoldmo.org](http://www.arnoldmo.org)**

**Office Hours:**  
**Monday - Friday, 7:30am to 4:00pm**



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## Health

# Pets



What you need to know.



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The City of Arnold encourages residents to become responsible pet owners, where the pet is loved and given a safe environment. These rules and regulations are to ensure the safety, health, and welfare of residents and their animal companions.

### **Do I need to register my pet?**

Yes. All dogs and cats over the age of 6 months must be vaccinated against rabies and registered with the City.

### **How do I register my pet?**

Your pet must be vaccinated by a state-licensed veterinarian before you can register. Veterinarians in the City of Arnold will register your pet for you after the pet receives treatment. If your veterinarian is located outside of the City, you will need to provide Animal Control with proof of vaccination and the registration fee. Call (636) 282-2387 for more information.

Your pet will be registered for the duration of the rabies shot. You will need to re-vaccinate and re-register your pet when the shot expires.

### **Why do I have to register and vaccinate?**

If an unvaccinated pet contracts rabies, it becomes an immediate health threat to anyone near the animal. The disease is almost always fatal in humans.

The City of Arnold is required by the State of Missouri to protect its citizens from contracting rabies by requiring dog and cat owners to vaccinate their pets. Pet registration ensures that this requirement is met.

### **What if I don't vaccinate or register?**

Due to the serious health risks involved with rabies, the City treats violations of this regulation very seriously.

Failure to vaccinate and register after being issued notices from the City may result in the issuance of a citation to appear in City of Arnold Municipal Court.

### **How many pets can I have?**

The maximum number of pets that may be kept per household in the City are as follows:

- 3 dogs (over four months old)
- 5 cats (over four months old)
- Or a combination of up to 5 animals (over four months old), but no more than 3 dogs

If you are looking for a new pet, consider adopting from the City's Animal Control shelter. Visit [arnoldmo.org](http://arnoldmo.org) or call (636) 282-2387 for more information.

### **What about pets other than cats and dogs?**

Residents do not need to register pet fish, reptiles, or small mammals such as hamsters.

The City requires a Domestic Animal Permit for keeping domestic animals as pets, such as chickens, goats, cattle, or horses.

Certain other animals not mentioned may also be kept as pets if the owner acquires a special permit with the City. Such animals cannot be kept for display or exhibition purposes. Call (636) 282-2387 or visit [arnoldmo.org](http://arnoldmo.org) for more information.

### **How should I care for my pet?**

Pet owners are required to provide their animals with sufficient good and wholesome food and water, proper shelter and protection from weather, and veterinary care when needed to prevent suffering.

Pet owners are required to exercise proper care and control of their animals. All animals except cats must be kept under restraint. Female animals in heat shall not have contact with another animal, except for planned breeding. Pet owners must ensure that all animals are confined to their property and do not escape.

If you suspect that an animal is being abused or neglected, please call Animal Control at (636) 282-2387.

### **My pet ran away or is lost?**

Contact Animal Control at (636) 282-2387 to report missing pets. Stray animals captured by Animal Control are checked to see if they match lost pet reports. Stray animal information is also listed on the Animal Control page of the City's website <[arnoldmo.org](http://arnoldmo.org)>.

### **What if I can't take care of my pet anymore?**

Residents of Arnold can relinquish their pet for any reason to the City's Animal Control shelter for a fee. If eligible, the pet will then be adopted out to a new home.

A resident may pay an additional fee for humane euthanasia for old or sick pets. Animal Control will then take the pet to a licensed veterinarian for euthanasia on the resident's behalf.

