



## Bridgewater Township

100 Commons Way Bridgewater, NJ 08807

908-725-6300 ext. 5020 *Clerk's Office 9am-5pm Monday to Thursday 8am-5pm Friday*

[www.bridgewaternj.gov](http://www.bridgewaternj.gov)

**Animal Licensing** – State Law requires the owners of all dogs and cats seven (7) months of age or with permanent teeth to apply for a license annually. In order for the licenses to be issued, the owner must present proof that a licensed veterinarian has vaccinated the animal against rabies and that the duration of the immunity extends through at least ten (10) months of the twelve-month licensing period. Licenses must be obtained from the municipality in which the animal resides. However, a current license from another New Jersey Municipality is accepted as compliance. When that license expires, the animal must be licensed in Bridgewater.

**Dog Licenses shall be renewed in January and expire December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.** Those licenses that have not been renewed by year's end are considered past due. For first time registrations = the application form must be accompanied by a copy of the rabies certificate and proof of neutering (if applicable). **Cat Licenses** are to be renewed annually during the month of June. The vaccination must be good through April of the expiring licensing year.

If renewing your animal and the rabies are all up to date then just mail in a self-addressed **STAMPED** envelope, payment and the name of the animal in the memo section of the check and the license and tag will be mailed back. Proof of alteration, once presented, proof not needed again. If renewing and the rabies are expired, a copy of the new Rabies Certificate must accompany. *An exemption to the rabies inoculation requirement shall be granted if the owner presents written certification from the licensed veterinarian that the pet cannot be vaccinated due to a medical condition or course of therapy. A letter from a licensed veterinarian is required annually.*

As a courtesy, the Township of Bridgewater may send out license renewal notices. It is the responsibility of the resident to renew their pet(s) license. Late fees will be issued after the published deadlines. There is no late fee for first time licensing!

### **Dog (each) New or Renewal**

\$7.00 Neutered

\$10.00 Un-Neutered

**Late fees for returning dogs** (*first time Dog Licensing does not apply*)...

\$10.00 Neutered **February 1 to May 31**

\$13.00 Un-Neutered **February 1 to May 31**

\$17.00 Neutered **June 1 to December 31**

\$20.00 Un-Neutered **June 1 to December 31**

### **Cat (each)**

\$3.00 Neutered May 1 of current year to April 30 of next calendar year

\$5.00 Un-Neutered May 1 of current year to April 30 of next calendar year

Cats have a maximum fee of \$20.00

**Payment - Checks** Payable to: "Bridgewater Township" **Cash** EXACT change is required. ***Unfortunately, the Clerk's Office does not have change.***

*If a license/tag is lost, there will be a \$1.00 replacement fee.*



New dog and or cat applicants are required to fill out the information below. If your dog and or cat are already in our data base then this form is not necessary.

**Circle License Types:**

**Dog                      or                      Cat**

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Owner's First Name                      Owner's Last Name                      E-Mail Address

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Mailing Address                      Town                      State                      Zip

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Cell #                      Additional Phone #

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Animal's Name                      Animal's Gender (Male or Female)

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Hair (Short, Medium or Long)                      Breed                      Color

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Special Markings                      Animal's Date of Birth (or as approximate as possible DD/MM/YY)

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Dangerous/Potential Dangerous Yes/No                      Service Dog Yes/No  
*(Proof required)*                      Spayed/Neutered Yes/No  
*(Proof required for first time registrations)*

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Rabies Expiration Date                      Microchip #                      Weight (in pounds)  
*(Proof required if expired)*