

Bridgewater Township

100 Commons Way Bridgewater, NJ 08807 908-725-6300 ext. 5020 Clerk's Office 9am-5pm Monday to Friday 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.

<u>Dog Licenses</u> shall be renewed in January and expire December 31st of each year. For first time registrations, the application form must be accompanied by a copy of the rabies certificate and proof of neutering (if applicable). <u>Cat Licenses</u> 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 is current, 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 to you. Proof of alteration, once presented, is no longer needed. 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)

\$15.00 Neutered \$18.00 Un-Neutered

Late fees:

(first time Dog Licensing does not apply)...

\$18.00 Neutered **February 1 to May 31** \$21.00 Un-Neutered **February 1 to May 31**

\$25.00 Neutered June 1 to December 31 \$28.00 Un-Neutered June 1 to December 31

Cat (each)

\$5.00 Neutered May 1 of current year to April 30 of next calendar year
\$8.00 Un-Neutered May 1 of current year to April 30 of next calendar year

<u>Payment</u> - <u>Checks</u> Payable to: "Bridgewater Township" <u>Cash</u> <u>EXACT</u> change is required. Unfortunately, the Clerk's Office does not have change or accept Credit/Debit cards...

Amended Chapter 94 & 79-3 subsection G... May 2017

If a license/tag is lost, there is 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, this form **is not necessary**.

Circle License Types:

	Dog	or	Cat				
Owner's First Name	Owner's L	ast Name	Name		E-Mail Address		
Mailing Address		Town		State	Zip		
Cell #	Additional Phone #						
Animal's Name				Animal's Gender (Male or Female)			
Hair (Short, Medium or Long)		Breed		Color			
Special Markings	Animal's Da	Animal's Date of Birth (or as approximate as possible DD/MM/YY)					
Dangerous/Potential Dangerous Yes/No		Service Dog (Proof requ		Spayed/Neutered Yes/No (Proof required for first time registrations)			
Rabies Expiration Date		Microchip #		Weight (in pounds)			