

LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER  
 ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL FEES SCHEDULE

Current **Proposed**

Pursuant to the Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 178, these fees are promulgated.

All fees or penalties assigned are payable to the Lake County Health Department, to be deposited in the Animal Care and Control Fund, which shall be that portion of the Health Fund designated for the Animal Care and Control Program.

*Any fee in this schedule of fees may be waived or reduced by the Health Officer based on hardship, for public health reasons, or to commemorate public health awareness events/celebrations.*

**DOG AND CAT REGISTRATION TAG FEES**

1 Year Registration – neutered/spayed pet, or 9 months or under	\$10
1 Year Registration – intact pet	\$50
3 Year Registration – neutered/spayed pet	\$25
3 Year Registration – intact pet	\$125
Late Fee (for a registration tag payment not submitted within 30 days after the rabies vaccination has been administered)	\$10

Owners of dogs and cats shall only pay the spayed/neutered fee if a veterinarian determines and certifies that surgical sterilization is contraindicated for medical reasons.

The Health Officer shall establish criteria in the Animal Care and Control Administrative Procedures and Policies for exempting other intact pets when an acceptable purpose for maintaining an intact animal is provided, such as for breeding and/or competitive showing of recognized pedigree animals, and shall refund the fee(s) in excess of the fee for neutered/spayed pets if the higher fee has been collected by the veterinarian and submitted to the Department.

**DOMESTIC ANIMAL IMPOUNDMENT FEES**

For every dog, cat or other animal impounded due to an ordinance violation, the owner shall pay the following fees:

Impoundment Fee - First offense	\$25
Impoundment Fee - Second offense	\$50
Impoundment Fee - Third offense	\$75
Impoundment Fee - Fourth and subsequent offense	\$150
Dog Boarding Cost (per animal/day)	\$15
Cat Boarding Cost (per animal/day)	\$10
Miscellaneous Pet Boarding Cost (per cage/day)	\$5
Transportation to the Animal Care and Control facility <b>during</b> normal business hours (per vehicle)	\$45
Transportation to the Animal Care and Control facility <b>after</b> normal business hours (per vehicle)	\$100
Microchip implantation (per animal)	\$15

**ANIMAL RELINQUISHMENT FEES**

A dog or a cat shall be considered to be **unadoptable** if the animal is in excess of eight years of age, has reported chronic health problems, has reported bites, or that displays an aggressive disposition.

<b>Adoptable</b> relinquished <b>dog or cat</b> owned by a resident of Lake County if delivered to the Animal Care and Control facility (per animal)	\$25
<del><b>Unadoptable</b> relinquished <b>dog</b> owned by a resident of Lake County if delivered to the Animal Care and Control facility <b>under 50 pounds</b> (per animal)</del>	<del>\$75</del>
<b>Unadoptable</b> relinquished <b>dog</b> owned by a resident of Lake County if delivered to the Animal Care and Control facility <del><b>over 50 pounds</b></del> (per animal)	\$100
<b>Unadoptable</b> relinquished <b>cat</b> owned by a resident of Lake County if delivered to the Animal Care and Control facility (per animal)	\$35

**RABIES OBSERVATION FEES**

The Health Officer shall accept and send or transport for laboratory analysis, rabies specimens from animals that have bitten a person, which are submitted by police, municipal animal wardens, or municipal officials at a transportation fee, as specified in the specific intergovernmental agreement.

Any suspect wild mammal, or any suspect wild furbearing mammal, except a rodent or lagomorph, that bites or scratches a person must be killed at once and the brain submitted to a recognized laboratory for rabies examination. The suspect rabid specimen shall be transported to the State Public Health Laboratory at no fee.

Specimens from animals that have not bitten or have not otherwise exposed a human may be submitted to the Lake

Shipping/handling fee for submittal of an animal specimen to the State Laboratory for rabies testing ( <b>non-emergency</b> ; per animal)	\$55
Shipping/handling fee for submittal of an animal specimen to the State Laboratory for rabies testing ( <b>emergency</b> ; per animal)	\$125
Ten-day confinement of a dog or cat at the Animal Care and Control Facility for rabies observation (per animal)	\$150
Rabies observation home confinement visit or final release fee (per animal)	\$35
Rabies vaccination fee for animals impounded and returned to an owner (per animal)	\$20

**LIVESTOCK IMPOUNDMENT FEES**

If animals require containment and are not relocated, or if the stable has been dispatched, the owner shall be subject to a fee of \$75.00 (seventy-five dollars) per hour.

Field investigation fee to check property/fencing prior to returning livestock to the owner/caretaker	\$45
Transportation fee to relocate livestock (per animal)	\$75
Impoundment Fee (per animal)	\$25
Boarding Cost (per animal/day)	\$15

**NUISANCE WILDLIFE TRAP AND RELOCATION FEES**

Small trap to apprehend a fur-bearing mammal and/or wild animal (refundable deposit)	\$30
Regular trap to apprehend a fur-bearing mammal and/or wild animal (refundable deposit)	\$75
Daily trap rental	\$7
Relocation/per animal on site	\$45
Disposal for animal brought to facility	\$20
Transportation/pick up during regular hours	\$45
Transportation after business hours	\$100

**DOMESTIC ANIMAL TRAP FEES**

Dog trap to apprehend a domestic animal ( <u>refundable deposit</u> )	\$275
Cat trap to apprehend a domestic animal ( <u>refundable deposit</u> )	\$50

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**VICIOUS AND ANIMAL-AGGRESSIVE DOG ANIMAL DECLARATION AND GUARD ANIMAL REGISTRATION FEES**

Annual registration fee for a declared vicious <u>or animal-aggressive dog</u> animal (per animal)	\$100
<i>Ownership of any animal declared vicious is non-transferable</i>	
Guard animal registration or transfer of ownership fee	\$50

**MUNICIPAL CONTRACT SERVICE FEES**

Service visit (per warden/hour)	\$45	<u>\$50</u>
<del>Non-emergency</del> After hours service visit (per warden/hour)	<del>\$100</del>	<u>\$200</u>
Transportation to the Animal Care and Control facility <del>during</del> normal business hours (per vehicle)	<del>\$45</del>	
Transportation to the Animal Care and Control facility <del>after</del> normal business hours (per vehicle)	<del>\$100</del>	
Transportation to humane shelter for municipality (per animal)	\$15	
Transportation of Livestock (per animal)	\$75	
<u>Disposal of cat brought to the Animal Care and Control Facility or picked up at a secure municipal location</u>		<u>\$35</u>
<u>Disposal of cat picked up at a location other than a secure municipal location</u>		<u>\$85</u>
<u>Disposal of owned animal</u>		<u>\$35</u>
Disposal of wild animal brought to the Animal Care and Control Facility	\$20	
Disposal of wild animal apprehended in municipality	\$65	<u>\$100</u>
Dog <u>or Livestock</u> Boarding Cost (per animal/day)	\$15	
Cat Boarding Cost (per animal/day)	\$10	
<u>Miscellaneous Pet Boarding (per animal/day)</u>		<u>\$5</u>
Euthanasia of cat	\$35	
Removal of animal(s) through court ordered eviction (per warden/hour)	\$45	<u>\$50</u>
Euthanasia of dog 1-50 pounds	\$75	
Euthanasia of dog over 50 pounds	\$100	
Service visit to municipality without contract (per warden/hour)	\$100	<u>\$200</u>

**ADMINISTRATIVE FEES**

Request for a payment plan	\$20
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**MULTIPLE PET PERMIT FEES**

Annual fee for a Multiple Pet Permit (as described in Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 172 )	\$75
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**REFUNDABLE COURT DEPOSIT**

A complainant shall submit a \$75.00 (seventy-five dollar) refundable deposit prior to court action being taken. This deposit shall not be refunded if the witness fails to appear in court.

**ANIMAL ADOPTION FEES**

Fee to adopt a cat	\$60
Fee to adopt a dog	\$75

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**ORDINANCE VIOLATION TICKET FEES**

The following are minimum fees to be assessed upon the issuance of a Notice of Ordinance Violation Ticket. The Lake County Administrative Hearing Officer or the Circuit Court shall assess fees for violations described in this Section in accordance with this Ordinance, the Lake County Administrative Adjudication Ordinance and/or applicable Illinois statute(s).

A late fee of 100% of the issued Ordinance Violation Fee may be assessed if the Ordinance Violation Fee is not paid within 35 days.

Failure to confine a biting animal within 24 hours after receiving notification that confinement and observation is required	\$100
Failure to perform owners' duties or cruelty to animals (per offense per animal)	\$100
Failure to have an animal inoculated against rabies in accordance with the requirements of Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 172	\$45 <u>\$50</u>
Animal(s) running at large	\$45 <u>\$50</u>
Barking or howling dog(s)	\$45 <u>\$50</u>
Animal(s) in heat not under control	\$45 <u>\$50</u>
Failure to register an animal in accordance with the requirements of Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 172	\$25
Failure to have an animal wear evidence of rabies inoculation in accordance with the requirements of Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 172	\$25
Failure to spay or neuter an animal or to provide written verification of a spaying or neutering procedure as specified in Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 172	\$100
Violation of the maximum number of cats and/or dogs allowed in a residence	\$100

**VALIDITY**

Should any section, clause or provision of this fee schedule, be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the fee schedule as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

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