

Pet Registration

Rabies Vaccination

All canine and feline companions must adhere to the legal requirement of receiving rabies vaccinations and being registered in the county where they live. The primary objective of the Animal Control program is to safeguard individuals and their pets from rabies, a severe illness that can be deadly for both animals and humans. The enforcement of Illinois law ensures the prevention of rabies transmission. [Rabies](#), a perilous virus, can be contracted by anyone who comes into contact with or is bitten by an infected animal. Vaccinating animals against rabies serves as a crucial protective measure to shield our beloved pets from potential exposure.

Registration Fee Costs

The majority of veterinarians in Livingston County offer vaccination services and can assist with collecting your pet's registration fee. In the event that your veterinarian does not handle the fee collection or if you choose to visit a clinic outside of the county, it is your responsibility to ensure that the registration fee is paid within 30 days. Failure to pay the registration fee within the specified timeframe will result in additional late fees. After 90 days, the States Attorney may take legal action. It is important to note that a pet that has been spayed or neutered is considered surgically altered, while all other pets are classified as intact.

The payment can be made through three different methods: 1) by sending a copy of the vaccination certificate along with a check or money order to Animal Control; 2) by visiting the Sheriff's Office to make the payment in person; or 3) by making an online payment at [GovPayNet.com](#). It is important to note that all payments made by check or money order should be payable to the Livingston County Treasurer.

Registration Fee Schedule

1 Year Intact - \$20	1 Year Altered - \$10	3 Year Intact - \$60	3 Year Altered - \$30
Late Fee - \$40	Late Fee - \$20	Late Fee - \$120	Late Fee - \$60

Purpose of Animal Registration Fee

The Animal Control Program in Livingston County is supported by the registration fee, which serves various purposes such as rabies prevention, aggressive dog control, community education, finding homes for adoptable pets, and ensuring the health and safety of the county's citizens. It is important to note that your pet's vaccination is only considered valid once the animal is registered with the Livingston County Animal Control. If you have recently moved to Livingston County, you are required to provide a copy of your pet's rabies vaccination certificate to Animal Control within 30 days. Additionally, unaltered pets are subject to a higher registration fee due to their reproductive status.

Updating Pet Registration Information

If there have been any changes to your pet registration information, such as a change of address or owner's name, please notify us promptly. You can either submit a written statement with your old and new address in case of a move, or contact us directly at 815-842-8021. In the unfortunate event that your pet has passed away, changed ownership, or is no longer in your possession, kindly inform us by sending the necessary details or calling the same number provided.