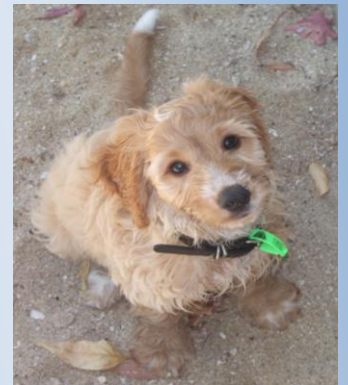


# Animal Registration

Animal registration is an important investment in your pet, providing safety and security as well as assisting Council to identify your pet if it is lost, injured or involved in an incident.

1. All dogs and cats within the Burdekin Shire must be registered within 14 days of taking ownership with the exception of working dogs.
2. Registrations are due in June each year. A discount is offered to owners who register their pets at this time.
3. Burdekin Shire Council uses a permanent tag system with a unique registration number assigned to each animal for their life span. Replacement tags are available for a small fee;
4. Animals should wear registration tags at all times. It's important to check regularly that your pet's tag is visible and undamaged;
5. With the introduction of the permanent tag system animal owners that do not have any changes to their current registration details can now pay via the following methods:
  - **BPAY** – for renewal of registration only (see renewal notice for details)
  - **Australia Post**– for renewal of registration only (see renewal notice for details)
  - **Council Chambers – 145 Young Street, Ayr**
  - **Home Hill Library – Ninth Avenue, Home Hill**
  - **Giru News and Gifts – Drysdale Street, Giru**

*Please note that if you require a replacement tag you will need to purchase one from the Council Chambers, Home Hill Library or Giru News.*
6. Most other types of pets do not require registration but always check with Council to be sure;
7. Regulated dog breeds, including dangerous dogs, menacing dogs and restricted dogs, have additional registration requirements. Please check with Council for specific details.
8. Working dogs (kept on rural land by a person who works as a primary producer) and guide dogs are exempt from registration provided adequate proof of their status can be shown.



## Did you know?

### Penalties

*Owners who fail to register their animals with Council will face significant penalties including on the spot fines.*

### Pet Count

*There are approximately 5,000 animals registered in the Burdekin Shire.*

