



DOG CARE



Dog I.D

It is highly recommended that you put a personal identification tag on your dog's collar including their name and one or more contact numbers. Personalised identification tags can be ordered through Animal Aid.

Council Registration

It is a legal requirement that all dogs over the age of three months be registered with the council in which they reside, and that they wear their current registration tag at all times. In the state of Victoria registrations must be renewed in April each year. **It is your responsibility to register your dog each year.**

Microchipping

Microchipping involves the implantation of a chip (about the same size as a grain of rice) under the skin between your dog's shoulder blades. The chip carries a 15 digit number which is linked via a computer database to your details. This means that if your dog were lost and taken to a vet or a pound, the dog could be scanned and identified as belonging to you and quickly returned. Microchipping is a good way to ensure that your dog is always identifiable, even without a collar on. Microchipping does not replace a normal council registration.

All animals adopted from Animal Aid have already been implanted with a microchip and you will have filled out the appropriate forms during the adoption process. **Ensure that your details are kept current; you can update any of your information via the Central Animal Records website (www.car.com.au).**

