

## SHELBY COUNTY ANIMAL ORDINANCES



All dogs, cats, and ferrets residing in Shelby County over the age of 4 months are required by State and Local law to be vaccinated for Rabies and have a current county license. County licenses are good for 1 fiscal year and are required to be purchased by June 30th every year. A license must also be purchased during the year if a resident acquires an animal during the year, moves into the area from another county or state, or a pet becomes 4 months old within that time. Licenses are available for purchase at:

- ▶ The Shelby County Animal Shelter, 266 Kentucky Street in Shelbyville
- ▶ At one of the many clinics the Shelby County Animal Shelter holds each June and July.
- ▶ Some Shelby County Veterinarians do supply licenses, please ask yours if they have them available for purchase.

**DID YOU KNOW**

**A LICENSE CAN BE YOUR LOST PETS TICKET HOME, AND THE REVENUE HELPS MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO THE ANIMALS IN OUR SHELTER.**

**LICENSE YOUR DOG, CAT & FERRET. IT'S THE LAW.**



All animals must be provided with food, water, shelter from the elements, and medical care to prevent suffering.



Any dog restrained by a tether; the chain, rope, or cable must be at least 10 feet in length.



All dogs must remain on the owner's property unless directly under the owner's control.



Any female dog in heat must be kept in an enclosure or home where males cannot enter.

**DID YOU KNOW**

**WE OFTEN HAVE DONATED IGLOO DOG HOUSES AND STRAW. IF YOU KNOW A DOG, OR HAVE A DOG THAT DOESN'T HAVE SHELTER, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO ASK US.**

Shelby County Animal Control has Animal Control Officers to respond to animal related complaints when necessary.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Shelby County Animal Shelter & Control's mission is to provide services which safeguard the public health and safety, to humanely house and care for animals in its charge, to protect the animals of the community from neglect, and to provide its citizens with information concerning responsible ownership. In accordance with the Kentucky Revised Statutes and the Shelby County Animal Ordinance.

## HOURS OF OPERATION

Tuesday: 10am-7pm  
Wednesday: 10am-4:30pm  
Thursday: 10am-7pm  
Friday: 10am-4:30pm  
Saturday: 10am-4:30pm



**WORKING with the COMMUNITY for HAPPY and HEALTHY ANIMALS**

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 [www.petango.com/Shelbycountyanimalcontrol](http://www.petango.com/Shelbycountyanimalcontrol)





## MEET YOUR MATCH & ADOPT!

Anyone interested in adopting or rescuing an animal from our shelter should visit the animal shelter for more information. We do have an adoption process including an application. We make every effort to ensure a direct adoption is a good placement. We work with the potential adopter to find the right pet for their home.

**Dogs and puppies may be adopted with an approved adoption application for only \$65.**

**Cats and kittens may be adopted with an approved adoption application for only \$25 for cats over 6 months and \$40 for kittens under 6 months of age.**



Barn Cats, when available, are no charge. Please inquire to learn more.

Sometimes, we even have more than just dogs and cats, call us to inquire!

**DID YOU KNOW } SPAY/NEUTER, UPDATED SHOTS/RABIES, HEARTWORM TESTED/FELV TESTED AND MICROCHIPS ARE INCLUDED WITH ALL DOG/CAT ADOPTIONS.**

**THESE TESTS AND PROCEDURES CAN COST UP TO \$800 FROM A VETERINARIAN\*.**

\*Cost data provided by [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com)

## DONATE & OTHER WAYS TO HELP

WE NEED YOUR HELP! All donations are greatly appreciated. The success of our shelter isn't possible without the help of the community! We have a wish list on our website of items such as dog food, cat food, paper towels, rawhides, cleaning supplies, and bleach, which are always needed.

You can also help greatly reduce the number of unclaimed animals in our shelter by taking the following step:

- ▶ Make sure all your animals have up to date ID tags so you will be contacted if they are lost.
- ▶ Get all your dogs and cats spayed and neutered to make happier and healthier pets and to reduce the number of unwanted pets.
- ▶ Adopt pets from our shelter.
- ▶ Get your dogs, cats, and ferrets vaccinated against rabies.
- ▶ Get a Shelby County license for your pet.
- ▶ Keep your dog restrained.

**DID YOU KNOW }**

**ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE AND YOU WILL RECEIVE A RECEIPT TO USE WITH YOUR TAXES.**

## VOLUNTEER!

Make a difference to our animals! The gift of your time is a very valuable asset to each of them.

- ▶ All volunteers must be at least 18 years of age.
- ▶ Please fill out the Volunteer Application available on our website or at the shelter.
- ▶ Even if you're short on time, we graciously accept volunteers of talents too. Share your skills and expertise with us!

## OUR SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY



### AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY SERVICE

Shelby County Animal Control provides after-hours response in order to protect the health and safety of animals and the public. On-call Animal Control Officers respond only to emergencies such as injured animals, animal bites, and severe animal cruelty situations which immediately threaten an animals life. The on-call officer can be reached by calling dispatch at 502-633-2323, or by calling 911. Please call the shelter during normal business hours for any non-emergency need.



### ANIMAL CRUELTY INVESTIGATIONS

Shelby County Animal Control is dedicated to the prevention of cruelty to animals throughout the county by enforcing State and Local Animal Welfare Laws and Ordinances. Animal Control investigates complaints of animal abuse, neglect, dog fighting, unlawful killing, and abandonment. Animal Control follows up on complaints of animals kept without adequate care. Citizens observing any of these situations should contact Shelby County Animal Control directly at 502-633-0009. In order to ensure a complaint is properly investigated, citizens should attempt to obtain the exact address of the location where the incident is taking place. If the address is not visible, cross streets or the addresses on either side of the location should be obtained. It is also helpful, but not necessary, to leave your contact information in case the officer needs additional information.



### LOST / FOUND ANIMALS

Shelby County Animal Shelter maintains a list of lost and found pets and records of every animal admitted to the shelter. It is recommended citizens who have lost a pet please visit the shelter frequently. Descriptions over the phone may not look like what we see in the shelter. Up to date Microchips, Id tags on collars, and License tags on animals are a lost pets ticket home when they come into our shelter. Please make every effort to identify your pets in some way! We want to return your dog or cat to you!