

SELECTIVE INSPECTION PROGRAM

19th July to the
11th October 2024



Paroo Shire Council will inspect properties from 19th July to the 11th October 2024 to check if people are following the Animal Management (Cats & Dogs) Act 2008. Inspectors can enter properties and covers things like registering dogs and regulated dog provisions. During this program, authorised people will be allowed to enter and inspect properties in the local area.

What is the purpose of the program?

The goal is to promote responsible pet ownership by reducing unregistered dogs and following regulated dog rules. Registration helps the Council track dogs and reunite lost pets with owners. Most impounded animals are unregistered, highlighting the need for this inspection program. Info on dog registration and rules is on the back.

Who will be conducting the inspections?

Inspections will be carried out by authorised persons from Paroo Shire Council. The inspection program allows authorised persons to enter and inspect selected properties within the local government area. All authorised persons will have identity cards issued by Council.

Infringement for Registration Non-Compliance

Where an authorised person identifies a dog as not being registered for the current financial year (2024/25) an infringement notice may be issued. The fine for failing to register a dog is currently two penalty units.

Non-compliance with Regulated Dog Provisions

If conditions aren't met, a compliance or infringement notice may be issued. A compliance notice gives 14 days to fix the issue or face a fine, up to 7 penalty units. If more information is needed, a calling card will be left, asking the resident to contact the Local Laws team.



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Legislation requirements under the State Government's Animal Management (Cats & Dogs) Act 2008 for registration and regulated dog provisions are detailed below.

Registration Obligations

- All dogs over 12 weeks old must be registered.
- New dog owners or residents must register their dog within 14 days.
- All dogs must wear a registration tag.
- Owners must update Council with any changes in registration details.

Regulated Dog Provisions

- Specific rules apply to dangerous, menacing, or restricted dogs.
- These rules protect the community from harm.
- Owners of such dogs must follow rules about the dog's enclosure, signage, and public access.

Dangerous and Menacing Dogs

- Council may declare your dog as dangerous or menacing if it:
- Has bitten or attacked a person or animal
- Has acted in a way that caused fear to a person or another animal
- Was declared dangerous by another local government.

Restricted Dogs and Prohibited Breeds

A restricted dog is a breed prohibited from importation into Australia under the Customs Acts 1901 – these breeds include American Pit Bull Terrier, Dogo Argetino, Fila Brasileiro, Japanese Tosa, and Perro de Presa Canario.

Key Responsibilities of a Pet Owner

- Register your dog or cat if it's 3 months or older with the Paroo Shire Council each year.
- Ensure your pet doesn't cause a nuisance, like barking or scaring people or other animals.
- Keep your pet on your property or under control if off your property.
- Walk your pet on a lead in public places.
- Clean up after your pet in public and dispose of waste properly.
- Always ensure your pet's general welfare.
- Provide a supplier number if you sell or give away your dog.



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