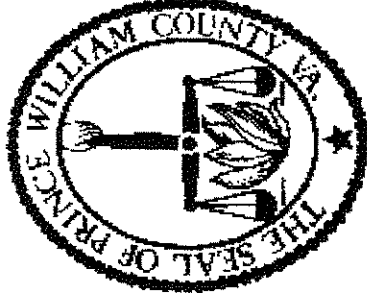
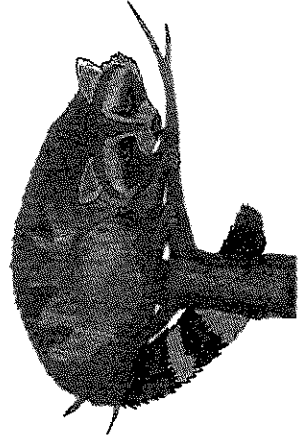


Rabies Control Measures:

1. Have your dog and cats vaccinated against rabies.
2. Do not keep wild animals as pets. Any wild animal can transmit the disease without actually displaying symptoms of the disease.
3. Contact your veterinarian immediately should your pet have wounds indicating contact with a wild animal.
4. Do not leave food outside for pets as this may attract wild animals.
5. Secure all trash in metal or plastic trash containers with lids held down by restraints.
6. Cover all outside openings to your home, including chimneys, to prevent entry of wild animals. Use heavy wire or sheet metal.
7. Stay away from wild animals and stray dogs and cats. A wild animal that seems sick or friendly may be behaving this way because of rabies infection.



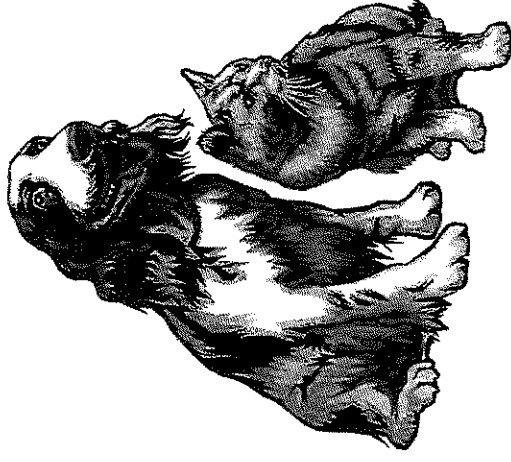
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Location

The Animal Control Bureau is located at 14807 Bristolow Road, Manassas. The shelter is located mid-county, approximately 9 miles south of the City of Manassas and approximately 8 miles north of Interstate 95.

Hours Of Operation

The Animal Control Bureau is operated in accordance with State and local laws. The Animal Shelter is open to the public Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Shelter is closed on Sundays, Mondays and holidays.

Services

The Animal Control Bureau enforces animal laws, investigates complaints of cruelty to animals, provides temporary shelter and adoption services for stray and unwanted animals, quarantines animals which have bitten humans, provides 24-hour emergency service for injured stray animals and removes stray dogs and livestock from streets and public areas.

Lost or Strays

For information on lost, stray or found animals, call the Animal Shelter at (703) 792-6463.

Reporting Violations

To report violations of animal regulations such as animals running at large, cruel treatment of, or keeping of vicious animals please call the County Police Department at (703) 792-6500. Problems involving wild animals should be directed to the Game Warden and can be reported by calling the County Police Department at (703) 792-6500.

Animal Traps

The County Animal Control Bureau also offers as a service to citizens "live capture humane traps,"

which may be borrowed for a deposit of \$35 a trap for the capture of small animals. The \$35 deposit is refundable upon return of the trap. Larger traps for the capture of dogs are available at no charge and are set by the Animal Control Bureau. All traps are issued on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Redemption of Impounded Animals

Should your animal be picked up running at large by an Animal Control Officer, you may redeem it at the Animal Shelter during regular hours by showing proof of ownership, proof of vaccination and proof that the animal possesses a valid license, if required. You will also be required to pay a boarding fee of \$5.00 per day for each day your dog has been retained plus a \$12.00 impoundment fee.

Adopt-A-Pet

An animal that is not claimed by its owner or has been surrendered to the Shelter and is evaluated as adoptable, may be adopted by paying a \$20 adoption fee, a \$25 or \$35 spay/neuter deposit (if applicable,) and by signing the necessary papers, which indicates you will be responsible for obtaining the veterinary care and licenses for the life of the animal.

Dog Registration

All dogs four months old and older must be licensed each year no later than January 31. Dog licenses, which go on sale in November for the coming year, may be purchased by mail. They may also be obtained from Taxpayer Services in the McCoart Administration Building on Prince William Parkway, Lorton Building on Donald Curtis Drive, Sudley North Offices on Ashton Avenue, numerous libraries and veterinarian offices, and the Animal Shelter. The fee is \$5.00 per dog. A current rabies vaccination certificate must be shown for each dog to be licensed before the dog tag may be obtained. Persons moving into the County after the deadline,

or who obtain dogs later in the year, must comply with the license requirements at that time.

Cats

Cats over the age of four months shall have a current rabies vaccination. (Section 4-62)

Did you know that in Prince William County it is against the law to:

Allow within the county prolonged or intense barking or other harsh or excessive noises to be made by animals and pets under one's ownership, at any time (Section 14-5.1); and,

Allow your animal to trespass on someone's property after being requested by the owner of the property not to trespass (Section 4-4); and,

Allow your dog to run at large within the County unless engaged in supervised, formal obedience training classes, or show, or during formally sanctioned field trials or while engaged in lawful hunting during open hunting season. (Section 4-23); and

Allow your animal to knowingly and willfully urinate or defecate on private property of other persons or on publicly owned property. It shall not be unlawful if the animal owner removes the animal's excrement immediately and disposes of it (Section 4-11); and,

Own a dog four months or older and not obtain a County dog license; and that your dog is required to wear a collar bearing said license (Section 4-40 & 4-46); and,

Have knowledge of an animal which has bitten someone and not immediately notify an Animal Control Officer (Section 4-64.)

