

**I.O. No.:** 4-51  
**Ordered:** ~~09/18/2008~~  
                  9/18/09  
**Effective:** ~~10/01/2008~~  
                  10/01/09

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
IMPLEMENTING ORDER

ANIMAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT FEES

**AUTHORITY:**

~~Section 1.01 of the~~ The Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment and Charter including, among others Section 1.01 and 2.02A, and Sections 5-5, 5-7, 5-8, 5-13, 5-14, 5-18, and 5-23 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

**SUPERSEDES:**

This Implementing Order 4-51, ordered September ~~17~~18, 2003~~9~~, and effective October 1, 2003~~9~~.

**POLICY:**

This Implementing Order establishes a schedule of fees for rabies vaccination, animal registration and license tags, adoption, impound/redemption charges, licenses, refundable deposits, euthanasia, and microchipping.

**FEE SCHEDULE:**

The fee schedule adopted by this Implementing Order is attached hereto and made a part hereof. The official fee schedule is also filed with and subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners and on file with the Clerk thereof. Fees that are charged by the Animal Services Department shall be the same as those listed in the official fee schedule on file with the Clerk of the County Commission.

This Implementing Order is hereby submitted to the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

County Manager

**ANIMAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
FEE SCHEDULE**

The Miami-Dade County Animal Services Department shall charge and collect fees for the items and rates listed in the following schedule:

<b>Service</b>	<b>Fee</b>
<b>License Tag</b>	
➤ Intact – Dog 12 months old or more	\$50.00
➤ Sterilized – Dog 12 months old or more	\$25.00
➤ Junior Tag – Dog between 4 months old and 12 months old	\$25.00
➤ Puppy Tag – Dog less than 4 months old	No Charge
➤ Indigent Owner – (note 1)	\$3.00
➤ Intact – Cat (VOLUNTARY)	\$10.00
➤ Sterilized – Cat (VOLUNTARY)	\$5.00
➤ Replacement Tag	\$5.00
➤ Service Animal/Working Police Dog	No Charge
➤ 3-Year License (note 2)	3x above fees
<b>Impoundments (note 3)</b>	
➤ Redemption/Sterilized Dogs	\$50.00
➤ Redemption/Intact Dogs	\$100.00
➤ Redemption/in estrus	\$100.00
➤ Dogs: Subsequent Impoundment within 12 months/sterilized	\$75.00
➤ Dogs: Subsequent Impoundment within 12 months/intact	\$125.00
➤ Animal Care Fee/Dogs (includes day of impoundment	\$10.00/day
➤ Redemption/Sterilized Cats	\$40.00
➤ Redemption/Intact Cats	\$45.00
➤ Cats: Subsequent Impoundment within 12 months/sterilized	\$50.00
➤ Cats: Subsequent Impoundment within 12 months/intact	\$55.00
➤ Animal Care Fee/Cats (including day of impoundment)	\$5.00/day
<b>Microchip Service (General Public)</b>	
➤ Microchip Implant	\$10.00
<b>Surrender Dog/Cat</b>	
➤ Surrender Fee	No Charge
➤ Euthanization (Disposal Included)	\$20.00
<b>Rabies Inoculation</b>	
➤ Indigent Owner (note 1)	\$3.00
➤ General Public	\$10.00
<b>Registrations</b>	
➤ Dangerous Dog Annual Registration Fee	\$75.00
➤ Hobby Breeder (annual fee) (note 4)	\$25.00
<b>Spay/Neuter Fees</b>	
➤ Spay/Neuter Surgery Co-Payment	No Charge
➤ Spay/Neuter Surgery Co-Payment	\$15.00
➤ Special Events Spay/Neuter Surgeries	No Charge
<b>Lien Processing</b>	
➤ Processing Fee	\$100.00
➤ Lien Search (1 unit/folio)	\$20.00

➤ Lien Search (applies to multiple units under one folio) \$20 plus \$7/unit

**Adoption and Return to Owner (RTO) Services**

➤ Dogs \$65.00\*  
➤ Puppies \$75.00\*  
➤ Cats/Kittens \$35.00\*  
➤ 2 for 1 Cat/Kitten Adoption \$35.00\*  
➤ Rescue Group Adoptions (all animals) (note 5) \$25.00\*\*  
➤ Dog Obedience Class \$35.00  
➤ Additional Medical Testing Cost + 10%

(\*includes microchip, vaccines, license, and spay/neuter service)

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**Licenses (Annual Fees)**

➤ Kennel \$100.00  
➤ Pet Dealer (Animal Sales less than 30/year) \$500.00  
➤ Pet Dealer (Animal Sales less than 50/year) \$600.00  
➤ Pet Dealer (Animal Sales less than 75/year) \$700.00  
➤ Pet Dealer (Animal Sales less than 100/year) \$800.00  
➤ Pet Dealer (Animal Sales more than 100/yr) \$1,000.00  
➤ Pet Care Center No Charge

**Deposits (note 6)**

➤ Cat Traps Deposits (refundable) \$50.00  
➤ Spay/Neuter Deposits (refundable) \$50.00

The Department Director or designee of the Animal Services Department shall have the authority to make refunds of adoption as required due to uncertainties in such transactions.

Note 1: Indigent owner is a person receiving public assistance under one or more of the following:

- a) Food Stamps
- b) Medicaid
- c) Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- d) Jackson Memorial Hospital Clinic Cards J01, J02, J03
- e) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Note 2: Requires evidence that vaccination is valid for 3-years. Three (3) year license fee shall not be pro-rated or refunded.

Note 3: Owners redeeming impounded animals may choose "Return to Owner Services" (see "Adoption" fees), which includes microchip, vaccines, license, and spay/neuter service, in lieu of paying impoundment and animal care fees.

Note 4: Hobby Breeders who were validly registered prior to February 21, 2008, shall not be required to annually renew their hobby breeder licenses or pay any additional fees for their hobby breeder licenses.

Note 5: A rescue group may adopt a litter of puppies that are less than 8 weeks old plus the mother for a single \$25.00 fee.

Note 6: Refundable deposits shall be maintained in the Animal Services Trust Fund as established by Resolution No. R-575-07, as may be amended from time to time.

