

ANIMAL CONTROL

Fees & Charges



In terms of the Dog Control Act 1996 and the Impounding Act 1955 the fees are effective from 1 July 2019. All figures are GST inclusive.

Dog Registration and Dog Impounding Fees are imposed under the Dog Control Act 1996. Impounding fees and driving charges are imposed under the Impounding Act 1955. The fees and charges are necessary to recover the cost to Palmerston North City Council of providing animal control services.

FIXED FEES

These charges cover the standard cost to Council in undertaking the work listed. However, additional charges may be charged depending on the circumstances such as additional inspection fees that may be incurred in undertaking the work noted below.

WORK TYPE	Standard fee if paid by 1 August 2019	Total fee including penalties if paid after 1 August 2019
(A) DOG REGISTRATION (SET DOWN UNDER THE DOG CONTROL ACT 1996)		
General Registration	\$142	\$213
General Registration (Desexed dog)	\$106	\$159
Preferred Owner	\$92	\$138
Preferred Owner (Desexed Dog)	\$80	\$120
Rural Non-Working	\$76	\$114
Rural Non-Working (Desexed Dog)	\$64	\$96
Rural Working	\$44	\$66
Disability Assist	No Charge	No Charge
Certified for use by Specified Agency	No Charge	No Charge
WORK TYPE	Standard fee from 1 July 2019	
(B) GENERAL IMPOUNDING FEES (SET DOWN UNDER THE IMPOUNDING ACT 1955)		
All animals other than dogs (per head)	\$124 (first offence) \$187 (repeated offence) \$15 per day (sustenance & care)	
(C) DOG POUND FEES (SET UNDER S.68 OF THE DOG CONTROL ACT 1996)		
First offence	\$122	
Subsequent offences (within 12 months)	\$183	
Sustenance for a dog per day or part of a day	\$19	
Destruction of a dog	\$83	
Sale of a dog (adoption/re-homing)	\$62	
Note: In addition to the sale charge there will be a registration fee (where applicable) and neutering fee (where applicable)		

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OTHER FEES

These fees may be added to a fixed fee type of work listed earlier or may be applied as a single charge.

WORK TYPE	Standard Fee from 1 July 2019
(A) IMPOUNDING FEES (SET UNDER THE IMPOUNDING ACT 1955)	
Supplementary feed for stock	150% of sustenance charge
(B) DOG POUND FEES (SET UNDER THE DOG CONTROL ACT 1996)	
Emergency release of animals outside normal hours i.e.: 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday excluding statutory and public holidays	\$61 for first impound \$92 for subsequent impounds (within 12 months)
(C) POUND FEES FOR ALL OTHER ANIMALS (SET UNDER THE IMPOUNDING ACT 1955)	
Emergency release of animals outside normal hours i.e.: 8am - 5pm Monday to Friday excluding statutory and public holidays	\$61 for first impound \$92 for subsequent impounds (within 12 months)
(D) DRIVING CHARGES (SET UNDER THE IMPOUNDING ACT 1955)	
Hire transport	Actual cost incurred by Council
Council vehicles	\$2.26 per kilometre
(E) MICROCHIPPING (SET UNDER THE DOG CONTROL ACT 1996)	
To undertake microchipping	\$44 per dog

CHARGES FOR COUNCIL STAFF

WORK TYPE	Rate Per Hour from 1 July 2019
COUNCIL OFFICER'S HOURLY RATES (PER HOUR)	
Senior Animal Control Officer	\$178
Animal Control Officer	\$126
Administration Staff	\$114
Head of Environmental Protection Services	\$215
General Manager	\$234

Note:

1. The hourly rates for the services which are listed in the above tables are for those staff listed in the table headed "Charges for Council Staff".
2. Where it states above the fee per hour, please note this should be read in full as "fee per hour or part thereof".
3. 'Disability Assist' and 'Specified Agency' are as defined in section 2 of the Dog Control Act 1996.
4. The Head of Environmental Protection Services is authorised to remit, reduce or refund the dog control fee or part of the fee in any particular case or class of dog where there are special grounds for doing so.
5. The registration fee for a dog that is declared a dangerous dog will be 150% of the level that would apply if it were not so classified (as required by section 32 (1) (e) of the Dog Control Act 1996)