

Register your pet

All residents are required to register their pets, so the City can monitor and control Cape Town's animal population. If you would like to register your pet, then follow the process below.

How To Register Your Pet

Please Note

According to the **Animal Keeping By-law**

(<https://resource.capetown.gov.za/documentcentre/documents/bylaws%20and%20policies/animals%20by-law%202010.pdf>), if your permit to keep a cat or dog has been cancelled; you previously had a cat or dog removed from your care, or you have a previous criminal conviction or civil judgment against you in respect of a dog or cat in your care then you may not keep a dog or cat - unless the City determines otherwise.

Our **Animal Keeping By-law**

(<https://resource.capetown.gov.za/documentcentre/documents/bylaws%20and%20policies/animals%20by-law%202010.pdf>) specifies how many pets you can own based on the size of your property. By registering your pet, you provide us with useful information that will help with animal welfare planning and budgeting.

Pets per dwelling type and property size

Dwelling	Size of Property	Number of Dogs and Cats
Dwelling unit	Flat/apartment duplex	Two dogs and four cats
Dwelling house	Less than 600 sq m erf	Three dogs and four cats
Large dwelling house	More than 600 sq m erf	Four dogs and four cats
Agricultural property	Land zoned for agricultural use	Six dogs and six cats

Register or update your pet's details by:

- Completing the [online registration form](#); or
- Downloading the [pet registration form](#) and emailing the completed form to pet.registration@capetown.gov.za.

Contact Us

Law Enforcement

Telephone:

[021 900 1822](tel:0219001822) (<tel:0219001822>) / [021 900 1719](tel:0219001719) (<tel:0219001719>)

Email:

pet.registration@capetown.gov.za (<mailto:pet.registration@capetown.gov.za>)

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