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1 Name of regulations

These regulations are the Domestic Animals Regulations 2001.

3 Information in records

For the Act, section 8 (Registration—records) the following information must be recorded in the register:

 (a) the name and address of the applicant (who must be stated in the register as the keeper of the dog);

 (b) if the dog is kept at another address—the address;

 (c) the registration number allotted to the dog;

 (d) if the dog is an assistance animal—a statement to the effect;

 (e) if the dog is a dangerous dog—a statement to the effect.

4 Information on registration certificates

For the Act, section 11 (Registration numbers, certificates and tags) the following information must be stated on a registration certificate:

 (a) the registration number allotted to the dog;

 (b) if the dog is a recognisable breed—the name of the breed;

 (c) the colour of the dog;

 (d) if the dog is an assistance animal;

 (e) the name and address of the keeper of the dog;

 (f) the day the registration ends.

5 Identifying particulars

 (1) For the Act, section 83 (3) (a) (Identification) a dog or cat may be identified by—

 (a) a microchip implanted beneath the animal’s skin; or

 (b) a tag, or for a dog, a registration tag, on the animal’s collar.

 (2) For the Act, section 83 (3) (d) the particulars in relation to a dog or cat are—

 (a) the name and address of the keeper or carer of the dog or cat; or

 (b) a contact telephone number for the keeper or carer; or

 (c) for a dog—its registration number.

6 Infringement notice offences and penalties

 (1) An offence against the Act that is described in an item of schedule 1 and is a contravention of a provision of the Act mentioned in the item is an offence (an infringement notice offence) to which the Act, part 4 (Infringement notices for certain offences) applies.

 (2) The penalty payable by an individual under an infringement notice for an infringement notice offence is the amount mentioned in the item of the schedule applying to the offence.

 (3) The penalty payable by a corporation under an infringement notice for an infringement notice offence is 5 times the amount mentioned in the item of the schedule applying to the offence.

 (4) The cost of serving a reminder notice for an infringement notice offence is $34.

7 Administering authority

The administering authority for every infringement notice offence is the registrar.

8 Authorised persons for infringement notices

An authorised officer may serve an infringement notice for any infringement notice offence.

9 Authorised person for reminder notices

An authorised officer may serve a reminder notice for any infringement notice offence.

10 Persons authorised for infringement notices etc to have unique number

The administering authority for an infringement notice offence must give a unique number to each person who is authorised by the administering authority to serve infringement or reminder notices for the offence.

11 Identifying particulars—dogs and cats

For the Act, section 88 (1) (c) (ii) (Contents of infringement notices) the identifying particulars for a dog or cat are as follows:

 (a) breed;

 (b) colour;

 (c) sex;

 (d) age;

 (e) any identification or, for a dog, registration tags;

 (f) any collars;

 (g) any brands or tattoo;

 (h) any electronically coded implant;

 (i) any marks or scars;

 (j) any other noticeable distinguishing marks or features.

12 Identifying particulars—authorised persons

For the Act, section 88 (1) (g) (Contents of infringement notices) an infringement notice must identify the authorised person using the number given to the person by the administering authority under regulation 10.

13 Cost of beginning proceedings

For the Act, section 101 (3) (b) (Procedure if liability disputed) the cost of beginning proceedings is $50.

14 Dishonoured cheques

 (1) If a person pays a fee under the Act by cheque and the cheque is not met on presentation—

 (a) the person is liable for any charge imposed by a bank because the cheque is not met as well as the amount of the cheque; and

 (b) the registrar may suspend the benefit paid for by that cheque until it is met.

 (2) The registrar may waive liability under subsection (1) (a) for payment of the bank charge in cases of hardship.

 (3) In this section:

benefit means any service under the Act for which a fee is payable and includes a registration, renewal, licence or permit.

Schedule 1 Offences and penalties

(See reg 6)

| column 1 | column 2 | column 3 | column 4 |
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| item | provision contravened | description of offence | on-the-spot fine$ |
| 1 | 12 (1) | change of ownership of dog | 50 |
| 2 | 12 (2) | becoming keeper for longer than 28 days | 50 |
| 3 | 14 (1) | keeping unregistered dog | 150 |
| 4 | 15 (1) | dog not wearing registration tag | 75 |
| 5 | 15 (2) | taking off registration tag without keeper’s permission | 75 |
| 6 | 15 (3) | use of registration tag not issued for dog | 75 |
| 7 | 16 (1) | change of address of registered keeper | 50 |
| 8 | 16 (2) | change of address where registered dog kept | 50 |
| 9 | 18 (1) | keeping 4 or more dogs | 50 |
| 10 | 42 (1) | taking dog into grounds of childcare centre etc | 75 |
| 11 | 42 (2) | taking dog into grounds of high school etc | 75 |
| 12 | 42 (3) | taking dog onto sporting field etc | 75 |
| 13 | 42 (4) | 10 metre restrictions for dogs | 75 |
| 14 | 44 (1) | dog not on leash in public place—carer | 150 |
| 15 | 44 (2) | dog not on a leash in public place—keeper | 150 |
| 16 | 45 (1) | dog not on leash on private premises—carer | 150 |
| 17 | 45 (3) | dog not on leash on private premises—keeper | 150 |
| 18 | 46 (1) | not removing faeces | 50 |
| 19 | 46 (2) | not carrying equipment for removal of faeces  | 50 |
| 20 | 112 (7) | contravention of nuisance notice | 150 |

ENDNOTES

1 About this republication

This is a republication of the *Domestic Animals Regulations 2001* as in force under the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* on 1 July 2001*.* The regulations had not been amended up to that date.

Amending laws are annotated in the table of legislation and table of amendments.

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In preparing this republication, amendments have been made under section 13.

Not all amendments made under section 13 are annotated in the table of amendments. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel’s Office.

2 Abbreviation key

am = amended

amdt = amendment

ch = chapter

cl = clause

def = definition

div = division

exp = expires/expired

Gaz = Gazette

hdg = heading

ins = inserted/added

lap = lapsed

LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996

mod = modified

No = number

notfd = notified

o = order

om = omitted/repealed

orig = original

p = page

par = paragraph

pres = present

prev = previous

(prev...) = previously

prov = provision

pt = part

r = rule/subrule

reg = regulation/subregulation

renum = renumbered

reloc = relocated

R[X] = Republication No

s = section/subsection

sch = schedule

sdiv = subdivision

sub = substituted

SL = Subordinate Law

sp = spent

underlining = whole or part not commenced

3 Legislation history

Domestic Animals Regulations 2001 SL 2001 No 17

notified 12 June 2001 (Gaz 2001 No S32)

reg 1 and reg 2 commenced 12 June 2001 (IA s 10B)

remainder (regs 3-14) commenced 21 June 2001 (reg 2)

4 Amendment history

Commencement

s 2 om R1 (LRA)

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