

Sec. 5-101. - Maintaining current microchip registration.

- (a) The owner or keeper of a dog, cat or equine shall maintain current registration with a microchip registration company.
- (b) If there is a change in contact information of an owner or keeper of a registered microchipped equine, dog or cat, the owner or keeper shall update contact information, including new address or telephone number, with the microchip registration company within thirty (30) days of the date of the change in contact information.
- (c) If there is a change in ownership of a registered equine, dog or cat, the initial owner or keeper shall be responsible for ensuring that the microchip is no longer registered in the initial owner's or keeper's name within thirty (30) days of the date of change in ownership. The new owner or keeper shall be responsible for re-registering the microchip to include any new address and telephone number and have the registration information transferred to the new owner's or keeper's name within thirty (30) days after the change in ownership.

(Ord. No. 2017-10-05-0755, § 1, 10-5-17)

Sec. 5-102. - Wearing tags, exception.

- (a) Dogs must wear a tag at all times while outdoors; except that dogs which are kept for show or exhibition purposes are not required to wear such a tag as long as the dogs are otherwise under restraint. The tag shall include either the dog's microchip number, or the current address or telephone number of the dog owner.
- (b) Cats and equines shall not be required to wear a tag with the registered microchip number on a collar.

(Ord. No. 2017-10-05-0755, § 1, 10-5-17; Ord. No. 2020-10-29-0772, § 1, 10-29-20)

Sec. 5-103. - Nontransferability.

No person may use a registered microchip number for any animal other than the one for which it was issued.

(Ord. No. 2017-10-05-0755, § 1, 10-5-17)

Sec. 5-104. - Review upon frequent violations.

The department shall review any and all animal registrations for any animal owners against whom four (4) or more convictions have been obtained within a period of one (1) year under the provisions of this chapter and shall notify the subject animal owner of said convictions and possible seizure and impoundment if, after the director conducts an administrative hearing, and determines that the public health and safety are at risk while the animal owner or any member of this household has possession or control of the subject animals. Certified mail notice of the time and place of said hearing shall be mailed to the last known address of the animal owner at least ten (10) days prior to said hearing.

(Ord. No. 2017-10-05-0755, § 1, 10-5-17)