

DOG AND CAT INFORMATION

STATE: Owners of dogs and cats 3 months of age or older are required to have a current rabies vaccination. All dogs three months of age or older must be licensed which are issued by the County Treasurer. All dogs must be under control and must not be allowed to run at large. Dogs are personal property, and owners are responsible for damages caused by their dog. It is illegal to abandon or attempt to abandon any dog.

The Bureau of Dog Law is charged with enforcing licensing and control of dogs, investigating dog bites, seizing and detaining any dog seen running at large and also funding counties and humane organizations to establish dog control facilities.

The above information and more may be viewed on the Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement page at www.agriculture.state.pa.us. This site also list the below contacts as was last modified on 6/7/2007.

Acting Director, Bureau of Dog Law, Rickee Miller, Phone 787-4833 or rickemiller@state.pa.us.

Dog Warden, Cumberland County (E), Donald E. Newman, 432-7192

Dog Warden, Cumberland County (W), John H. Briner: 582-7600

COOKE TOWNSHIP: ORDINANCE 2003-01 further defines the above information, plus Section 4.C. (CATS) 2. states "No person shall keep, harbor or maintain a cat that roams freely unless the owner identifies that cat with identification on or attached to a collar that clearly and legibly states the cat owner's name, address and telephone. Confined cats are not required to be so identified." You may view this ordinance on our web site: www.pacounties.org/cccooketwp.

ANIMAL SHELTERS AND RESCUE: Additional sources, however, they may or may not be active and/or up to date:

Canine Rescue of Central Pa., Phone 232-1644...www.cr.petfinder.com

Cumberland Valley Animal Shelter, 2325 County Road, Chambersburg, PA., Phone 263-5791.

Collie Rescue, Phone 691-7213, e-mail RescueCol@aol.com or www.collie-rescue.org.

Furrie Friends Carlisle, Phone 240-8600...www.furryfriendsnetwork.com.

PAWS of PA Harrisburg, Phone 957-8122, e-mail pawsofpa@aol.com or www.pawsofpa.org.

Helen O. Krause Animal Foundation, Inc. Mechanicsburg, Phone 787-8808.