
Sonoma County Animal Services

*Adoption of Animal
Services Fee Schedule
FY26-27*



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Mission

Protect the health and safety of people and animals.

Investigate and prosecute animal cruelty and neglect.

Educate the public about responsible domestic animal ownership.

Reduce pet overpopulation through spay/neuter programs.

Provide a safe environment for animals in need.

Place adoptable animals into caring homes.



Updates

Body-worn cameras for Animal Control Officers

Updated security system for facility

Providing private cremation options through
Koefran for pet owners

Grand Jury Report for animal services throughout
Sonoma County

Fees adjustments from December 2024 to fiscal
year 2026-2027



How we support Santa Rosa

Increasing patrol to ensure dogs are leashed in public spaces.

Contracting with a veterinarian to ensure adoptable animals, including foster-to-adopt, are spayed neutered.

Providing low cost spay and neuter programs for the public.

Partnering with Humane Society of Sonoma County for free vaccination clinics.



How we support Santa Rosa

Managing surrenders and intakes to avoid kennel over-population.

Licensing with DocuPet includes automatic national registry to help lost pets get home without coming to the shelter.

Responding to wildlife calls.

Planning in place for emergencies, including natural disasters.



Calls July 1 2025-May 7 2026

Animal Type	# of Calls
Animals at risk	399
Police/Fire Assist	112
Animal Bites, in progress	6
Animal bites, all	240
Public nuisance	157
Stray aggressive	138
Proactive	409
All calls	2365



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Board Fees

Animal Type	Proposed Fee	Current Fee
Dog	\$37.00	\$30.00
Cat	\$13.00	\$10.00
Small Animal	\$15.00	\$13.00
Livestock	\$60.00	\$50.00



Impound Fees: ACO

Type	Proposed Fee	Current Fee
Dog 1 st , licensed	\$ 96.00	\$ 85.00
Dog 1 st , unlicensed	\$124.00	\$110.00
Dog, 2+	\$200.00	\$180.00
Cat, altered	\$ 67.00	\$ 60.00
Cat, unaltered	\$ 45.00	\$ 40.00
Small Animal	\$ 73.00	\$ 65.00
ACO Field Release (unlicensed/ unaltered dogs/cats)	\$115.00	\$100.00



Impound Fees: Public/OTC

Type	Proposed Fee	Current Fee
Dog 1 st , licensed	\$ 90.00	\$ 80.00
Dog 1 st , unlicensed	\$117.00	\$105.00
Dog, 2+	\$190.00	\$170.00
Cat, altered	\$ 45.00	\$ 40.00
Cat, unaltered	\$ 60.00	\$ 50.00
Small Animal	\$ 56.00	\$ 50.00



Impound Fees: Livestock/Exotic

Type	Proposed Fee	Current Fee
Livestock/head 1st	\$140.00	\$120.00
Livestock/head 2nd	\$340.00	\$300.00
Livestock/head 3rd	\$622.00	\$585.00
Livestock impounds are per household and transportation costs are additional		
Exotic	\$ 73.00	\$ 65.00



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Intakes Outcomes July 1 2025-May 7 2026

Intakes	Birds	Cats	Dogs	Other
Confiscate	6	27	135	2
Owner Board	0	7	3	0
Quarantine	0	12	13	18
Surrender	2	43	50	0
Stray	19	420	533	20
Total intakes	33	627	819	48

Outcomes	Birds	Cats	Dogs	Other
Adoption	8	169	150	5
Return	1	70	398	4
Transfer	11	197	120	29
Total outcomes	27	673	824	54



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License Fees

License/Tag Type	Proposed Fee	Current Fee
Altered Dogs	\$18.00	\$16.00
Altered Dogs, Senior Rate (owners 62+)	\$15.00	\$14.00
Unaltered Dogs	\$22.00	\$19.00
Late Fee	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.00
Cats (lifetime)	\$14.00	\$14.00
Replacement tags	\$14.00	\$14.00
Licenses sold July 1, 2025-May 7, 2026		7699



Dangerous Dog Fees

Fee Type	Proposed Fee	Current Fee
Potentially Dangerous/Vicious, 1 st year, voluntary	\$565.00	\$500.00
Potentially Dangerous/Vicious, 1 st year, court ordered	\$850.00	\$750.00
Potentially Dangerous/Vicious, 2 nd + year, annual	\$175.00	\$155.00
Collar, Leash and Sign	\$112.00	\$108.00



Dangerous Dogs July 1 2025-May 7 2026

Type	# of Registrations
Potentially Dangerous/Vicious, 1 st year, voluntary	6
Potentially Dangerous/Vicious, 1 st year, court ordered	4
Potentially Dangerous, 2 nd + year	23
Vicious, 2 nd + year	4



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