



Multiple Dog License Information Packet and Application Form

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Hello,

Thank you for your interest in a Clackamas County Multiple Dog License. Please review this packet to help determine if a Multiple Dog License is right for you.

If you determine a MDL is right for you. Please complete the enclosed application, and submit it with current rabies vaccination certificates for all dogs on your property. Once we receive your application we will contact you to arrange an inspection.

If you have any questions that are not answered in this packet please feel free to contact us at doglicensing@clackamas.us

THANK YOU!



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What is a Multiple Dog License:

Unlike an individual dog license that covers the individual dog it is purchased for and is not transferrable to another dog, a multiple dog license covers all the dogs on the dog owner's property with proof of current rabies vaccination.

Are there limits to the number of dogs I can have on my property?:

As of December 2012 Clackamas County has no limit on the number of dogs one may own, as long as minimum care standards are met for all dogs on the property at all times. However; ORS 167.374 - 167.376 has specific limitations on the number of dogs used for breeding purposes along with special care and keeping restrictions for 10 or more intact adult dogs.

Multiple Dog Application and Approval:

A Multiple Dog License (MDL) Application may be submitted by any dog owner in Clackamas County. Clackamas County has no limits on the number of dogs an owner can have. After submitting a completed application an on-site premises inspection will need to be conducted by a Clackamas County Dog Services Officer OR the applicant may obtain the inspection form from Dog Services and have a Veterinarian licensed in the state of Oregon conduct the inspection to ensure compliance with minimum care and any other applicable County code. If approved an inspection will be conducted every year at the time of renewal as outlined in Clackamas County Code 5.01.030.1.

- a. *Qualification; Application; Inspection. When an owner has more than one dog, the owner **may obtain or renew a multiple dog license** after submitting a completed, qualifying Multiple Dog License Application and after either 1) submitting an inspection certification from a veterinarian licensed in the state of Oregon; or 2) a County inspection of the applicant's premises to determine that the owner is in compliance with minimum care standards as provided by this chapter.*

Denial of a Multiple Dog License:

As outlined in Clackamas County Code 5.01.030.2

- a. *Denial. Causes for denial of a multiple dog license application may include, but are not limited to, denial for any person currently under active investigation or prosecution for any animal-related crime, persons under parole or probation following a conviction for any animal-related crime, or any person for which ownership, keeping or responsibility for animals would be a violation of any rule, regulation or law, either civil or criminal.*
- b. *Appeal of Denial of Multiple Dog License. An owner may appeal the denial or a new multiple dog license or denial of a transfer of a multiple dog license to a Hearings Officer by delivering a written request to Dog Services within seven (7) days of the mailing date of the written notice denying the license. A hearing will follow the same procedures set forth in this chapter for a hearing on a violation, except that the burden of proof will be on the owner to prove that the denial was improper.*



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Cost of a Multiple Dog License:

1 year	\$225.00
2 years	\$450.00
3 years	\$675.00

Land Use Approval:

Issuance of a Multiple Dog License does not constitute approval of a particular land use or indicate compliance with any zoning or land use planning restrictions that may apply. Depending on what zoning is applicable to your property, you may be required to seek land use approval through your local jurisdiction.

Primary Multiple Dog License Holder Information:



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Name _____ Date: _____
Physical Address _____ Phone: _____
Mailing Address _____ Alternate Phone: _____
Website: _____ Email: _____

Secondary Multiple Dog License Holder Information:

Name _____ Date: _____
Physical Address _____ Phone: _____
Mailing Address _____ Alternate Phone: _____
Website: _____ Email: _____

Additional Information:

Are you operating a kennel? [] YES [] NO
Are you operating a rescue? [] YES [] NO
Is yes, name of kennel/rescue? _____
Have you applied for/obtained a zoning permit if needed? [] YES [] NO [] Unknown
Are you a breeder? [] YES [] NO
If yes, what breed(s)? _____
Total number of dogs on property? _____
How many of those dogs are fertile? _____
Primary vet/clinic? _____
Would you like to have the inspection conducted by an Dog Services Officer? [] YES [] NO
If no, what is the name of the Veterinarian you would like to complete the inspection? _____

OFFICE USE ONLY
Inspection Date: _____ Officer: _____ [] Approved [] Denied
If denied; reason? _____

Terms of a Multiple Dog License:



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1. Permit Dog Services to conduct an inspection OR obtain the required MDL inspection sheet from the County and have a Veterinarian licensed in the state of Oregon complete an inspection of the premises where the dogs are kept to ensure minimum care is available for the dogs before approval of a multiple dog license and annually thereafter as outlined in Clackamas County Code: 5.01.030 A.
License:

Multiple Dog License.

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2. All multiple dog license holders must at all times be in compliance, and maintain minimum care standards as defined in Clackamas County Code: 5.01.020 A. Definitions:

**MINIMUM CARE MINIMUM CARE means care sufficient to preserve the health and well-being of a dog and, except for emergencies or circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the owner, includes but is not limited to, each of the following requirements:*

- a. *Food of sufficient quantity and quality to allow for normal growth or maintenance of body weight.*
- b. *Open or adequate access to potable water in sufficient quantity to satisfy the dogs' needs. Access to snow or ice is not adequate access to potable water.*
- c. *Access to adequate shelter. For a dog other than one engaged in herding or protecting livestock, this requires access to a barn, dog house or other enclosed structure sufficient to protect the animal from wind, rain, snow or sun with adequate bedding to protect against cold and dampness.*
- d. *Access to adequate bedding, which is defined as bedding of sufficient quantity and quality to permit a dog to remain dry and reasonably clean and to maintain a normal body temperature.*
- e. *Veterinary care deemed necessary by a reasonably prudent person to relieve the dog's distress from injury, neglect or disease.*
- f. *Continuous access to an area:*
 - i. *with adequate space for exercise necessary for the health of the dog;*
 - ii. *with air temperature suitable for the dog; and*
 - iii. *that is kept reasonably clean and free from excess waste or other contaminants that could affect the dog's health.*

3. All Multiple Dog Licenses must maintain current rabies vaccinations for all dogs on their property at all times. Any dog found to not have a current Rabies Vaccination will not be covered by the Multiple Dog License. This includes informing Clackamas County Dog Services when a new dog is obtained, and provide rabies vaccination information for the dog(s) OR when they when a prior dog dies, is euthanized, placed, or sold so that we may update our records. NOTE: If you have a dog that is pregnant, nursing or unable to obtain a rabies vaccination for any reason a letter of exemption MUST be provided to the County from a licensed veterinarian with the dogs information and for how long the exemption is for in order to be admissible.

Dog Rabies Vaccination

Individual or multiple dog licenses will not be issued without evidence of one of the following for each do to be licensed:

- a. *A rabies vaccination certificate issued by a licensed veterinarian that is valid for the license period; or,*
- b. *A written statement signed by a licensed veterinarian stating that for medical reasons the rabies vaccination cannot be administered to the dog.*

PLEASE NOTE: Issuance of a Multiple Dog License does not constitute approval of a particular land use or indicate compliance with any zoning or land use planning restrictions that may apply. Depending on the zoning of your residence, you may be required to seek land use approval from your local jurisdiction.

By signing I acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree to the terms of a Multiple Dog License.

Signature

Date

