# **OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK**



## ONLINE 2016 Dog Licensing Is Now Available

### WWW.TOWN.SWAMPSCOTT.MA.US

To All Dog Owners in the Town of Swampscott:

Pursuant to M.G.L. 140 §137 & the Town of Swampscott General Bylaw Article V, §15, all dogs six months and older must be vaccinated against rabies and licensed.

If you provided an E-mail address on your 2015 Dog License Application you will receive your 2016 Dog License renewal packet via E-mail. All others will receive a packet by regular mail.

The dog license application is for up to 3 dogs. To minimize paperwork we no longer mail a copy of your application; if you need a copy please let us know otherwise your dog tag(s) will be proof of registration. Please mail the completed 2016 dog license form with a check or money order payable to the "Town of Swampscott". Don't forget to include a SASE for us to mail your dog tag(s) to you. Dog licensing may also be done in person by visiting the Town Clerk's Office in Town Hall during normal business hours, Monday thru Thursday, 8:00AM to 4:30PM and Friday 8:00AM to 12:00PM. All dogs are licensed annually in the Town of Swampscott during the month of January.

### \*\*ONLINE DOG LICENSING IS AVAILABLE FOR A SMALL FEE (e-check \$.50, Credit & Debit 3.20% min \$3.00) VISIT THE TOWN'S WEBSITE LISTED BELOW FOR MORE INFO\*\*

**Please note:** We can only process dog licenses if we have a current rabies certificate on file for your dog(s). Please call us at 781-596-8855 or email Sue at sduplin@town.swampscott.ma.us or Connie at chayes@town.swampscott.ma.us to confirm we have a current rabies vaccination certificate on file. Rabies Certificates can be e-mailed, mailed to the Town Clerk, 22 Monument Avenue, Swampscott, MA 01907 or faxed to 781-596-8870. Dog tag(s) will be mailed to you once your payment has been processed. **Symptoms of Rabies**-In animals, unexplained aggression, impaired locomotion, varying degrees of paralysis, extreme depression, or viciousness. The signs of rabies vary in animals; some will display attack-like behavior while others appear sick or dazed.

Contact your veterinarian for more information. (MGL Chapter 140, Section 145)

Animal Control Laws along with the 2016 dog license application is available on the Town Clerk's department page of the Town's website <u>www.town.swampscott.ma.us</u> and also in the Town Clerk's Office.

#### \*\*\*\*TO AVOID A \$5.00 LATE FEE PLEASE LICENSE YOUR DOG(S) NO LATER THAN JANUARY 31ST\*\*\*\*

\*\*IF YOU NO LONGER HAVE A DOG PLEASE NOTIFY THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE ASAP\*\*

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sue Duplin, Town Clerk