



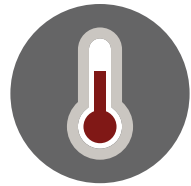
Have a question?
We are here to help.

Stratford Perth Humane Society

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Enrichment refers to mental and physical stimulation. Providing daily exercise and engaging all of your pet's senses goes a long way to keeping them mentally and physically healthy.



#HotCarsKillPets

If you see an animal left in a vehicle and the temperature outside is below 0 °C or above 21 °C, please call **1-833-9ANIMAL**.

Smell – Introduce new smells, allow your dog to sniff on walks, hide treats for your dog to find.

Hearing – Research shows that some music can be calming for dogs, but should be turned off at night, as animals need quiet time to sleep.

Vision – Toys or mobiles can provide additional visual stimulation, but beware of overstimulating your dog. Exposure to too many people can be overwhelming.

Touch – Many dogs respond well to petting, brushing or a massage. Take the time to interact with your dog to figure out what type of touch they prefer best.

Taste – Specific dog-safe treats can be used for positive reinforcement training while stimulating their tastebuds at the same time. Using a feeder ball, so that the dog must work to get the treat out, also adds mental stimulation.

Smell – Many cats find a pinch of catnip every few days pleasurable and helps stimulate their remarkable sense of smell. Beware, some smells like citrus, menthol or perfume can be irritating.

Hearing – Music can be used to calm or stimulate your pet. A few minutes of playing bird song recordings a day can prove to be beneficial.

Vision – Cats love new toys to play with, but being overexposed to too many people may cause your cat to seek a hiding spot.

Touch – Petting, brushing or a massage are some ways you can interact with your cat. Take the time to figure out what they do and do not like. For example, cats rarely like belly rubs.

Taste – Specific cat-safe treats can be used for training or for mental stimulation. Try hiding a treat in an empty toilet paper roll and sealing it on both sides with a material your cat can easily puncture.



RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP



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Responsible pet ownership **CHECKLIST**

Procure your pet ethically and through a credible source



License your pet



Familiarize yourself with the City of Stratford's Animal Control By-law



Spay/neuter your pet



Provide proper care and enrichment



Adopt, don't shop

Pets available for adoption through the Stratford Perth Humane Society receive:

- ✓ Wellness check
- ✓ Routine treatment (including vaccinations and parasite control)
- ✓ Spay/neuter
- ✓ Microchip



To see animals available for adoption and to learn more about the adoption process, visit kwsphumane.ca/adopt

LICENSING

Pet licensing helps reunite pets with their owners and it's mandatory under the City of Stratford's Animal Control By-law.*

To purchase or renew your pet's license visit:
kwsphumane.ca/animal-control/licensing-stratford



Licensing fees

If paid before March 1st*	Regular	Senior (65+)
Altered	\$20.00	\$17.00
Unaltered	\$50.00	\$42.50
Less than 1 year old	\$20.00	\$17.00

*Licence fees increase after March 1st



SERVICES

Stratford Animal Control By-law*

- 1 It is the owner's responsibility to register their cat or dog within seven business days of becoming an owner with the City or with the Stratford Perth Humane Society or its authorized agents.
- 2 Maximum 3 unaltered dogs and 3 unaltered cats are permitted per household.
- 3 When requested to do so, an owner shall provide the Animal Control Officer with a proof of registration.
- 4 The licence expires on December 31st and must be renewed annually.
- 5 Pet licence tags are not transferrable to another owner.
- 6 An owner shall notify the Animal Control Officer of any address change within seven working days.
- 7 Animal running at large/ failure to get a licence/ failure to pick up after your pet may result in a \$115 fine for each offence.

By-law dogs only



- Licensing tag must be securely fastened to a collar or harness worn by the dog anywhere other than on the owner's property
- A licensing tag shall be issued at no charge to any owner of a service dog, with proper documentation

By-law cats only



- A cat with a valid microchip does not need to wear a licensing tag; licensing fee still applies
- Any cat identified as feral and has undergone ear tipping and returned to their previous environment or colony is exempt from licensing

*Animal Control by-law 195-2002.

Low-Cost Spay Neuter Clinic

Stratford Perth Humane Society offers reduced cost spay and neuter services, employing efficient surgical procedures and a high standard of medical care to help control pet overpopulation.

Did you know?

After the procedure cats are less likely to roam at large and dogs often show less aggression.

Trap-Neuter-Release Program

In an effort to control feral and stray cat populations within our communities the Stratford Perth Humane Society offers the Trap-Neuter-Release Program for a nominal fee of \$35.

Anyone is welcome to bring in a feral cat to the Humane Society for a spay/neuter procedure and ear tipping before releasing it back into their natural habitat.