

6.04.070 Dog Vaccinating, Licensing and Permitting procedure and fees within county limits.

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A. The An owner shall have dogs three months of age or over vaccinated against rabies and licensed. Upon moving to Pima County, an owner must comply with these vaccinating and licensing requirements within 30 days of arrival.

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B. The licensing fees for dogs three months of age or over which are kept within the boundaries of the county for at least thirty consecutive days are as follows:

4. Senior/disabled citizen owner, unaltered dog (limit four discounted dog licenses per household)--seventeen dollars.

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J. Penalty. The owner of any dog who fails to license or permit such dog pursuant to this section is guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor, which is punishable by a fine of not less than one hundred fifty dollars nor more than seven hundred fifty dollars, four months in jail, two years' probation, or any combination thereof. No judge may grant probation in lieu of, or otherwise suspend, the imposition of the minimum fine prescribed herein; provided however that where a violation of this section is charged, the fine shall be reduced to seventy-five dollars upon a showing to the court of proof of licensing or permitting, as is required for such dog, within fifteen days of issuance of the complaint.

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K. A person operating a kennel shall obtain a kennel permit issued by the Pima Animal Care Center except if each individual dog is licensed. The annual fee for the kennel permit is four hundred dollars or 75% of the total cost of licensing all the animals individually, whichever is greater. A one hundred-dollar late penalty will be charged on payments made after thirty days from the expiration date of the permit. If the permit is obtained one year but no more than two years from the date on which the permit was required to be renewed, an additional penalty fee of two-hundred dollars shall be paid. If the permit is obtained two or more years from the date on which the permit was required to be renewed, an additional penalty fee of four hundred-dollars shall be paid.