



Holmes County Dog Warden's Department
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DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOG REGISTRATION

If no appeal is filed or if the court upholds the dangerous or vicious designation you will be required to register your dog as a dangerous dog: To obtain a dangerous dog registration in accordance with O.R.C 955.01 D, you must supply the Holmes County Auditors with the following:

- a) A fee of one hundred dollars
- b) Your address, telephone number, and other appropriate means for the county auditor to contact you, along with proof that you are 18 years of age or older.
- c) You must provide satisfactory evidence that the dog's rabies vaccine is up to date or a statement from a licensed veterinary that a rabies vaccine is medically contraindicated for your dog.
- d) Satisfactory evidence of the fact that your dog has been neutered or spayed or a statement from a licensed veterinarian that neutering or spaying of your dog is medically contraindicated.
- e) Satisfactory evidence that you have posted and will continue to post clearly visible signs at the person's residence warning both minors and adults of the presence of a dangerous dog on the property.
- f) Satisfactory evidence of the fact that the dog has been permanently identified by means of a microchip and the dog's microchip number.

This registration shall be renewed annually in the same manner and for the same fee. Once registered the Holmes County Auditors will issue a uniformly designed tag that identifies your dog as a vicious or dangerous dog.

DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOG LAWS

Ohio Revised Code 955.01 (I) No owner, keeper or harbinger of a vicious or dangerous dog shall fail to present a valid dangerous dog registration upon request of any law enforcement officer, dog warden, or public health official charged with enforcing this section. **This is a Minor Misdemeanor Violation.**

Ohio Revised Code 955.01 (J) No owner, keeper, or harbinger of a dangerous or vicious dog shall fail to do any of the following:

1. Obtain a dangerous dog registration from the county auditor. (Fourth degree misdemeanor)
2. Affix a tag that identifies the dog as a dangerous or vicious dog to the dog's collar. (Fourth degree misdemeanor)
3. Ensure that the dog wears the collar and tag at all times. (Fourth degree misdemeanor)

Registration Process

1. At the time of designation, the Dog Warden or Deputy will provide you with a registration application.
2. You, as the dog owner, keeper, or harbinger must complete the form making sure to provide photos requested. Photos can be emailed to holmescountydogwarden@gmail.com. Forms must be submitted to the Dog Warden's Department.
3. The registration form must be completed and submitted no later than 45 days of the designation if no appeal is filed or 45 days after the court makes a determination regarding the dangerous designation. If the court determines that your dog is not dangerous then you can disregard all the dangerous dog information and registration requirements.
4. After the Dog Warden receives your dangerous dog registration form your application will be reviewed and information confirmed. Once the Dog Warden confirms all information is provided and is accurate a representative will contact you and advise you that you can go to the Holmes County Auditors to purchase your Dangerous Dog Registration.
5. This process will need to be completed annually. The renewal process can be completed online at www.holmescountydogwarden.com.

