



Approved Systematic Inspection Program - Animal Inspection Program Registration and Renewal of Registration of Animals (Dogs) 2024

Areas to be Covered in this Program:

A systematic property inspection program throughout the following townships or areas will be conducted during the duration of this Animal Inspection Program by Authorised Officers of the Gladstone Regional Council to determine the registration status of dogs and that regulated dogs are being kept as per the conditions of a Dangerous Dog Declaration, Menacing Dog Declaration, Restricted Dog Permit or Compliance Notice.

Inspections of properties and yards of properties within the following urban and rural areas will be conducted:

Agnes Water, Aldoga, Ambrose, Baffle Creek, Bangalee, Barney Point, Beecher, Benaraby, Berajondo, Bororen, Boyne Island, Boyne Valley, Boynedale, Burua, Callemondah, Calliope, Captain Creek, Clinton, Colosseum, Darts Creek, Deepwater, Gladstone, Glen Eden, Iveragh, Kin Kora, Kirkwood, Lowmead, Miriam Vale, Mount Larcom, New Auckland, Raglan, River Ranch, Rodds Bay, Rosedale, Round Hill, Rules Beach, Seventeen Seventy, South Gladstone, South Trees, Sun Valley, Tablelands, Tannum Sands, Taragoola, Targinnie, Telina, The Narrows, Toolooa, Turkey beach, West Gladstone, Wooderson, Wurdong Heights, Yarwun.

Purpose for the Animal Inspection Program:

- To monitor compliance with Part 2 - Registration; Part 4 - Renewal of Registration; Part 3 – Restricted Dogs; Part 4 – Regulated Dogs; and Part 5 – Application of Particular Permit Conditions for Declared Dangerous or Menacing Dogs requirements of the *Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008*.
- To conduct house to house inspections to determine if dogs are being kept in accordance with the requirements of the Act and Councils *Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) 2011*.
- To target dog owners that had a dog registered with Council in 2022/2023 and have not made payment for the 2023/2024 registration renewal period.
- To assist in the collection of statistical data to provide an accurate record of the number of dogs in the region.
- To assist as a method of identifying lost dogs so they can be reunited with their owners.
- To promote responsible pet ownership by requiring animal owners to register their dogs and pay the appropriate fees.
- To ensure community safety is upheld by ensuring that a Regulated Dogs are being kept in accordance with the conditions and requirements of the Act.

Key Information

- Two Renewal Notices are sent annually concerning Animal Registration Renewals and Council undertakes an Annual Communication Plan that involves Social Media posts, Media Releases, Public Notices and the use of Council's Web Promotional Banner to remind animal owners that Council's Annual Registration Renewal is in effect and that it is the responsibility of the animal owner to notify Council of any change of address.

- The fine for an unregistered animal is \$309.60 and failure to register after this is \$774.00.
- Council Officers have the authority to enter properties to conduct these inspections.

Commencement and Duration of Survey

This survey will commence on 1 February 2024 and will be in force for a period of six (6) calendar months, expiring on 30 July 2024.

Further Information

Information on animal registration and other animal regulations can be obtained by visiting Council's webpage at www.gladstone.qld.gov.au or contacting Gladstone Regional Council on (07) 49700 700.