

**TOWN OF JAMESTOWN
DOG LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND LEASH LAW ORDINANCE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 4, Chapter 13 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island 1956, and as amended, every owner and/or keeper of any dog over the age of six (6) months living within the town limits of the Town of Jamestown shall be licensed by the Town Clerk during the month of April. A fee of six dollars (**\$6.00**) shall be paid for all **neutered and spayed dogs** and a sum of sixteen dollars (**\$16.00**) shall be paid for dogs that are **not neutered or spayed**. A late fee of twenty-five dollars (**\$25.00**) will be charged for any licensing after **April 30th**. (R.I. General Law 4-13-4). All dogs must be inoculated against rabies for the period during which said license will be valid (May 1st to April 30th). **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES** will any dog be licensed unless and until a current, valid and signed rabies vaccination certificate of inoculation has been issued by a licensed Veterinarian. Receipts and rabies tags are insufficient; the certificate must indicate expiration of current vaccination. **No dog licenses can be sold prior to April 1st per RI State Law.**

Jamestown Code of Ordinance: Sec. 10-70. Dogs at large

No person being the owner or keeper of a dog, or having the charge or custody of a dog, shall allow such dog to run at large off its owner's or keeper's property within the town unless such dog is properly leashed or under the direct command and control of its owner or keeper between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Any such dog found not properly leashed or under the control of its owner or keeper and off its owner's or keeper's property running loose shall be impounded, and such dog shall be held at the animal shelter (pound) until such owner or keeper is located. The owner or keeper of such dog shall be issued a citation by the animal control officer, or police officer, for allowing such dog to run loose.

Licenses will be on sale **beginning April 1st**, annually at the Town Clerk's Office, 93 Narragansett Avenue - Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

If your dog was not licensed in Jamestown for 2015-2016 licensing at the Town Clerk's Office is required. The Town conducts a Rabies Clinic annually. Check the *Jamestown Press* for date and time, the Town website, or call the Town Clerk's Office at 423-9801.