Did you know:

- Barking may be a result of boredom. How often do you interact with your dog?
- All dogs will bite. Use caution when approaching an unfamiliar dog,
- A new law prohibits transporting dogs in the back of pick up trucks unless it's properly secured.
- If you have your dog spayed or neutered the cost for it's license is only $6.00
- Short hair dogs are not native to cold climates. If you keep your dog outside in the winter, is it's housing adequate?

VISIT THE CITY OF AUGUSTA'S DOG PARK LOCATED ON CANAL STREET OFF NORTHERN AVENUE , THE NORTH END OF MILL PARK

REMEMBER TO HAVE YOUR PET'S VACCINATED AGAINST RABIES.

PLEASE SPAY OR NEUTER YOUR PETS.

Do not leave your animals in a hot car. Leave them at home where they will be comfortable.

DOG OWNER'S GUIDE

AUGUSTA POLICE DEPARTMENT ANIMAL CONTROL

Tel: 207-626-2370

Making the neighborhood Animal friendly

Owning a dog should be a pleasant experience for you and the community in which it lives.

Provided here is a brief overview of some State and Local animal laws which are designed to ensure the well being of your dog and provide a basic level of protection for the community from nuisance dogs or dogs at large.

Violations of any of these laws could result in you, as the owner or keeper of a dog, being summonsed to court.

As a responsible dog owner you need to be aware of the laws governing dog ownership and do your part in complying with these requirements. Augusta's Animal Control Officer will help you with any questions you have regarding animal laws.

State Laws

Title 7, Section:

3921: License Necessary All dogs upon reaching the age of 6 months must be licensed in the town where it resides.

3911: Dogs Not to *Run at Large It is unlawful for any dog to run at large except when used for hunting.

*At Large means off the premises of the owner and not under the control of any person.

3961: Damage by Dogs When a dog does damage to a person or his property, the owner or keeper of the dog is liable in a Civil action to the person injured for the amount of the damage done.

4011: Cruelty to Animals It is unlawful to injure, torture, torment, abandon, poison, cruelly beat or give alcohol to any animal. It is unlawful to deprive any animal of necessary sustenance, necessary medical attention, proper shelter or protection from the weather.

Augusta Ordinances

Section 4-27: Unlicensed Dogs
Any dog not licensed in accordance with Title 7, Sec. 3921 and found within the City may be impounded.

Section 4-29: Barking Dogs
A dog cannot cause a disturbance by continuous or repeated barking or howling.

Section 4-31: Leash Law
All dogs on a public way must be on a leash, at heel beside a competent person and obedient to that person's commands.

Section 4-28: Scooper Law
If a dog defecates on public walks, recreation areas or private property other than the owners it must be immediately cleaned up and properly disposed of.

Impound Schedule:
Any dog found at large may be impounded, Prior to release the owner will first have to license the dog and pay all impound and shelter fees. Impound fee at be paid at the Augusta Police Department.

Impound #1 $15.00
Impound #2 $25.00
Impound #3 $50.00
All continuing impounds $50.00