



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXECUTIVE REGULATION

Offices of the County Executive • 101 Monroe Street • Rockville, Maryland 20850

Subject <b>ANIMAL SERVICES AND ADOPTION CENTER ADOPTION AND SERVICE FEES</b>	Number  16-17
Originating Department <b>DEPARTMENT OF POLICE</b>	Effective Date

Montgomery County Regulation on:

**ADOPTION FEES FOR ANIMAL SERVICES AND ADOPTION CENTER ANIMALS**

**DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**

Issued by: County Executive  
Regulation No. 16-17

Authority: Montgomery County Code Section 5-103 and 5-102(a)(1)

Supersedes: 29-13

Council Review: Method (3) under Code Section 2A-15  
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Comment Deadline: January 31, 2018

Effective Date:

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this regulation is to establish adoption fees for animals that are adopted from the Montgomery County Animal Services and Adoption Center.

**ADDRESS:** Written comments on this regulation should be sent to:

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Derwood, Maryland 20855

**STAFF CONTACT:** For further information or to obtain a copy of this regulation, please contact Thomas J. Koenig, at 240-773-5928

**BACKGROUND:** Montgomery Code Section 5-102(1)(a) provides that Montgomery County Animal Services Division must provide an animal shelter program and Montgomery Code Section 5-103 authorizes the Executive to establish fees.



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### PURPOSE:

The proposed regulation establishes reasonable adoption fees for animals that are adopted from the Montgomery Animal Services and Adoption Center and describes the services and medical procedures that are included in each adoption. Adoption fees and services/procedures are specific to the species of animal being adopted from the Center.

### [Adoption Fees:]

- [Dog - \$150]
- [Cat - \$100]
- [Rabbit - \$50]
- [Guinea Pig - \$25]
- [Ferret - \$50]
- [Chincilla - \$50]
- [Hamster - \$10]
- [Gerbil - \$10]
- [Mice - \$10]
- [Rat - \$10]
- [Iguana - \$50]
- [Small Lizard - \$10]
- [Snake - \$20]
- [Turtle - \$10]
- [Fish - \$10]
- [Livestock - \$10]
- [Small-Medium Bird \$10-\$50 (includes parakeets, finches, doves, lovebirds, canaries & cockatiels)]
- [Large Bird \$50-\$150 (includes large parakeets and parrots)]



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<u>Adoption Fees:</u>	
- <u>Dogs</u>	
<u>Less than 6 months</u>	\$ <u>150</u>
<u>7 months to 6 years</u>	\$ <u>100</u>
<u>7 years +</u>	\$ <u>75</u>
<u>Special Needs</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
<u>Bonded Pair 7 months +</u>	\$ <u>150</u>

- Adoption fees for dogs may include the following services/medical procedures: Spay/Neuter surgery, microchip, heartworm test, distemper vaccination, rabies vaccination, bordatella vaccination, flea treatment, de-worming.

- <u>Cats</u>	
<u>Less than 6 months</u>	\$ <u>100</u>
<u>7 months to 7 years</u>	\$ <u>50</u>
<u>8 years + &amp; special needs</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
<u>Bonded pairs less than 6 months</u>	\$ <u>150</u>
<u>Bonded pairs 7 months +</u>	\$ <u>75</u>

- Adoption fees for cats may include the following services/medical procedures: Spay/Neuter surgery, microchip, feline leukemia/feline AIDS test, distemper vaccination, rabies vaccination, flea treatment, de-worming.



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Other Animals:

<u>\$5</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$15</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>\$25</u>
<u>Hermit Crab</u>	<u>Anole</u>	<u>“\$10” Pairs</u>	<u>Cockatiel</u>	<u>Chinese Water Dragon</u>
<u>Turtle</u>	<u>Duck</u>	<u>Parakeet</u>	<u>Goose</u>	<u>Snake</u>
<u>Gecko</u>	<u>Finch</u>	<u>Chicken(s) (Lots of 5)</u>	<u>Parakeet Pair</u>	<u>Guinea Hen</u>
<u>Gerbil</u>	<u>Fish (Lots of 8)</u>		<u>Ring Neck Dove</u>	<u>Guinea Pig</u>
<u>Hamster</u>	<u>Pigeon</u>		<u>Turkey</u>	<u>Rabbit</u>
<u>Mouse</u>	<u>Rat</u>			<u>Degu</u>
<u>Fish (Tropical/Large)</u>	<u>Tortoise</u>			<u>Bearded Dragon</u>
<u>Chameleon</u>	<u>Salamander</u>			
<u>\$30</u>	<u>\$35</u>	<u>\$40</u>	<u>\$50</u>	<u>\$75</u>
<u>“\$20” Pairs</u>	<u>“\$25” Pairs</u>	<u>Lizards – Other</u>	<u>Sugar Glider</u>	<u>“\$50” Pairs</u>
		<u>Conure</u>	<u>Ferret</u>	<u>Chincilla</u>
		<u>Hedgehog</u>		<u>Goat</u>
		<u>Iguana</u>		<u>Pig</u>
		<u>Peacock</u>		<u>Sheep</u>
		<u>Quaker</u>		<u>Small Livestock (under 150 lbs.)</u>
		<u>Boa/Phyton</u>		
<u>\$100</u>	<u>\$150</u>			
<u>Cockatoo/Macaw</u>	<u>Horses + Testing</u>			
<u>Large Parrot</u>	<u>Large Livestock</u>			
<u>“\$75” Pairs</u>	<u>(over 150 lbs)</u>			



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Return to Owner (RTO) and Other Service Fees:

<u>Return to Owner (RTO)</u>	
- <u>Microchips</u>	\$ <u>10</u>
- <u>Rabies Vaccine</u>	\$ <u>10</u>
- <u>Dog Spay</u>	\$ <u>125</u>
- <u>Dog Neuter</u>	\$ <u>100</u>
- <u>Cat Spay</u>	\$ <u>50</u>
- <u>Cat Neuter</u>	\$ <u>40</u>
- <u>Rabbit Spay</u>	\$ <u>125</u>
- <u>Rabbit Neuter</u>	\$ <u>100</u>
<u>Others:</u>	
- <u>Pet Euthanasia</u>	\$ <u>10</u>
- <u>Wildlife Transfer or Euthanasia</u>	\$ <u>10</u>

The Animal Services Division Director or designee has the authority to reduce these established adoption fees for special circumstances and adoption promotions that may occur from time to time at the Animal Services and Adoption Center. The adoption fee for animals not covered by this regulation will be determined and/or approved by the Division Director.

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Isiah Leggett  
County Executive

Approve as to form and legality:

IL 12/12/17  
Office of the County Attorney/Date

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION**

**COMPARISON OF OLD AND PROPOSED RATES**

Item	Quantity	Old Rate		Proposed Rate		Difference Inc. (Dec.)
		Price (\$)	Amount	Price (\$)	Amount	
<b>ADOPTIONS</b>						
<b>DOGS</b>						
- Less than 6 months	44	\$ 150.00	6,600.00	\$ 150.00	6,600.00	0.00
- 7 months to 6 years	468	\$ 150.00	70,200.00	\$ 100.00	46,800.00	-23,400.00
- 7 years+	134	\$ 150.00	20,100.00	\$ 75.00	10,050.00	-10,050.00
- Special Needs			0.00		0.00	0.00
- Bonded Pair 7 months			0.00	\$ 150.00	0.00	0.00
- Hopeful Hearts			0.00	\$ 50.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>646</b>		<b>\$ 96,900.00</b>		<b>\$ 63,450.00</b>	<b>\$ (33,450.00)</b>
<b>CATS</b>						
- Less than 6 months	365	\$ 100.00	36,500.00	\$ 100.00	36,500.00	0.00
- 7 months to 7 years	544	\$ 100.00	54,400.00	\$ 50.00	27,200.00	-27,200.00
- 8 years+ and special needs	137	\$ 100.00	13,700.00	\$ -	0.00	-13,700.00
- Bonded pairs less than 6 months			0.00	\$ 150.00	0.00	0.00
- Bonded pairs 7 months+			0.00	\$ 75.00	0.00	0.00
- Hopeful Hearts			0.00	\$ 25.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>1,046</b>		<b>\$ 104,600.00</b>		<b>\$ 63,700.00</b>	<b>\$ (40,900.00)</b>

**ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE OF ALEXANDRIA**

<b>CATS</b>	<b>CATS</b>	<b>BONDED PAIR</b>	<b>KITTENS</b>
< 8Y	> 8Y	1-7 Y	2
\$120	\$60	\$150	\$200
<b>DOGS</b>	<b>DOGS</b>	<b>BONDED PAIR</b>	<b>BONDED PAIR</b>
< 8Y	> 8Y	< 8Y	< 8Y
\$150	\$75	\$200	\$150

\*adoption fees include medical testing, vaccinations, spay/neuter, microchip

**SMALL MAMMALS**

FERRET, CHINCHILLA	\$50
GUINEA PIG PAIR	\$25
GUINEA PIG	\$25
RABBIT	\$50
RABBIT PAIR	\$50

**BIRDS**

SMALL BIRD	\$20
COCKATIEL, LOVE BIRD	\$40
SMALL PARROT	\$50
MED. PARROT	\$100
LRG. PARROT	\$250

**REPTILES**

AMPHIBIAN	\$20
REPTILE	\$25

**OTHER FEES**

BOARDING	\$17/NIGHT
IMPOUND	\$10

**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY**

	<b>CATS</b>	<b>DOGS (EXCLUDING PIT BULLS)</b>
1YR LICENSE	\$14	\$17
3YR LICENSE	\$17	\$20

**ADOPTION FEES INCLUDE:**

- SPAY/NEUTER
- DISTEMPER/RABIES VACCINATIONS
- WORMING
- LICENSE (IF APPLICABLE)

**REDEMPTION FEES INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:**

IMPOUND	\$25
BOARD	\$5/DAY
RABIES VAX	\$20
DANG OR PDANG ANIMAL	\$100-\$250

EUTHANASIA	\$5/ANIMAL
MICROCHIP	\$20



**ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE OF ARLINGTON**

<b>CATS</b>		<b>BONDED PAIR</b>	
<b>&lt; 6MOS</b>	<b>&gt; 6MOS</b>	<b>&lt; 6MOS</b>	<b>&gt; 6MOS</b>
\$150	\$100	\$200	\$150

\*Adoption fees include spay/neuter surgery, microchip, feline leukemia/AIDS test for cats older than 6mos, and age-appropriate vaccinations

<b>DOGS</b>	
<b>&lt; 6MOS</b>	<b>&gt; 6MOS</b>
\$225	\$175

\*Adoption fees include spay/neuter surgery, microchip, age appropriate vaccinations, heartworm test for dogs older than 4mos

**SMALL MAMMALS**

RABBIT	\$65
FERRET	\$65
CHINCHILLA	\$65
GUINEA PIG	\$10
HAMSTER	\$10
MICE	\$10
GERBIL	\$10
RATS	\$10

**BIRDS**

FINCHES	\$25
PARAKEET	\$25
DOVE	\$25
LOVEBIRD	\$25
CANARY	\$25
COCKATIEL	\$25
LARGE PARAKEET	\$150

**OTHER FEES**

BOARDING	\$30/DAY
2ND IMPOUND/YEAR	+\$10
3RD IMPOUND/YEAR	+\$20
4TH IMPOUND/YEAR	+\$30

IMPOUND	\$35
2+ IMPOUNDS	\$75

**BOARDING**

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\$15/DAY/DOGS

\$10/DAY/CATS

EUTHANASIA	\$25
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**BALTIMORE CITY  
BARCS**

**ADOPTION PACKAGES FOR CATS AND DOGS:**

CHAMPION ADOPTION PACKAGE - \$75

SPAY/NEUTER SURGERY

VACCINATIONS

MICROCHIP ID

(ADOPTER NEEDS TO BRING THEIR OWN LEASH/COLLAR)

BEST IN SHOW ADOPTION PACKAGE - \$100

INCLUDES EVERYTHING IN THE CHAMPION PACKAGE

**\*\*PLUS\*\***

NEW LEASH AND COLLAR FOR DOGS OR

NEW TRAVEL CARRIER FOR CATS

**OTHER FEES**

1ST IMPOUNDMENT \$50

2ND \$70

3RD \$80

BOARDING \$15/DAY

MICROCHIP \$35

SPAY/NEUTER \$75

**BALTIMORE COUNTY**

<b>CATS</b>	<b>DOGS</b>
\$40	\$50

**INCLUDES:**

SPAY/NEUTER  
FIRST SERIES OF VACCINATIONS  
LICENSE  
MICROCHIP

**OTHER FEES**

REDEMPTION	\$35
AT LARGE	\$20 INCLUDES SPAY/NEUTER/RABIES/LICENSE
LICENSE	\$7 IF ALTERED
	\$15 IF UNALTERED
RABIES	\$10

**CHARLES COUNTY**

CAT \$85

\*includes spay/neuter, microchip, distemper, rabies, physical exam, feline AIDS

DOG \$125

\*includes spay/neuter, microchip, distemper, rabies, physical exam, heartworm

RABBIT \$45

HAMSTER \$5

GUINEA PIG \$10

FERRET \$25

SNAKE < 3FT \$10

> 3FT \$25

BIRDS VARIES FOR KIND/SIZE

**OTHER FEES**

1ST IMPOUND \$25

1ST BOARD \$15/DAY

2ND IMPOUND \$50

(W/ IN 12 MOS)

2ND BOARD \$30/DAY

MICROCHIP \$10

**DC HUMANE RESCUE ALLIANCE**

<b>CATS</b>	<b>CATS</b>	<b>CATS</b>	<b>CATS</b>
< 6MOS	6MOS - 6Y	7Y - 9Y	10Y+
\$125	\$100	\$50	\$25

\*Adoption fee includes spay/neuter, age-appropriate vaccinations, microchip, FIV/FelV test (cats 6 mos and older)

<b>DOGS</b>	<b>DOGS</b>	<b>DOGS</b>	<b>DOGS</b>
< 6MOS	6MOS - 6Y	7Y - 9Y	10Y+
\$250	\$200	\$100	\$50

\*Adoption fee includes spay/neuter, age-appropriate vaccinations, microchip, heartworm test (dogs 6mos and older)

\*add \$15 license fee for dogs going to homes in the District

**OTHER ANIMALS**

RABBIT	\$45
GUINEA PIGS	\$20
FERRETS	\$35
SMALL BIRDS	\$10
*parakeets, finches, etc.	
LARGE BIRDS	\$25
*birds larger than a Budgie	
OTHER SMALL ANIMALS	\$10

**OTHER FEES**

**REDEMPTION (PER IMPOUND)**

(STERILIZED)	\$15
DOG (UNSTERILIZED)	\$98
(OTHER ANIMALS, UNSTERILIZED)	\$50

BOARD \$7/DAY

**FAIRFAX COUNTY**

<b>CATS</b>	<b>CATS</b>	<b>CATS</b>
< 6MOS	6MOS - 5Y	> 5Y
\$125	\$75	\$50

<b>DOGS</b>	<b>DOGS</b>	<b>DOGS</b>
< 6MOS	6MOS - 5Y	> 5Y
\$175	\$125	\$100

\*adoption fees include spay/neuter, rabies, distemper, bordatella, other medical tests and microchip

RABBITS	\$15
FERRETS	\$15
OTHER SMALL ANIMALS	\$5

REPTILES	\$10
SMALL BIRDS	\$10
LARGE BIRDS	\$100
EQUINE	\$200
BOVINE	\$200
OTHER LIVESTOCK	\$20

**OTHER FEES**

IMPOUND	\$25
BOARDING	\$15/NIGHT
REDEMPTION	\$25
2ND TIME	\$50
3RD TIME	\$75

**HOWARD COUNTY**

**CATS**                    APPROX \$120  
**DOGS**                    APPROX \$140

\*charges may vary and are for any medical work that needs to be done to get animal ready for adoption

**OTHER FEES**

RTO                            \$25  
2ND OFFENSE                \$75

BOARDING                    \$12/DAY  
LARGER ANIMALS            \$18/DAY

RABIES                        \$5



**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY**

	<b>CATS</b>	<b>DOGS</b>
ADOPTION FEE	\$25	\$25
COUNTY LICENSE	\$5	\$5
MICROCHIP	\$15	\$15
SHOTS (DISTEMPER/RABIES)	\$20/\$20	\$10/\$20
BORDETELLA	N/A	\$10
SPAY/NEUTER	\$45	\$100
LEUKEMIA/AIDS TEST	\$20	N/A
HEARTWORM	N/A	\$15
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	\$150	\$200

**POCKET PETS**

RABBIT	\$15
	\$15 MICROCHIP FEE
	\$100 SPAY/NEUTER FEE
FERRET	\$15
	\$5 LICENSE FEE IF ALTERED
	\$25 LICENSE FEE IF NOT ALTERED
GUINEA PIG	\$15
CHINCHILLA	\$50

**BIRDS**

SMALL BIRDS (PARAKEET/FINCH)	\$10
MED. (COCKATIEL, LOVEBIRD, DOVE)	\$50
LARGE (PARROT)	\$150

**REPTILES**

TURTLE	\$15
IGUANA	\$50
SNAKE < 2 FT LONG	\$25
> 2 FT LONG	\$50

**FISH**

SMALL FISH	\$5 FOR A GROUP THAT COMES IN TOGETHER
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**OTHER FEES**

IMPOUND	\$15/ALTERED
	\$60/UNALTERED
EACH SUBSEQUENT IMPOUNDMENT/YEAR	\$100
REDEMPTION	\$15

**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY**

**DOG** \$45

\*includes initial distemper combo vaccine, rabies vaccine,  
intranasal bordatella and microchip

SPAY/NEUTER \$140

HEARTWORM CHECK \$40

FECAL CHECK \$30

DISTEMPER/PARVO \$84

(ASSUMING 3 SHOTS)

**CAT** \$45

\* includes initial distemper combo vaccine, rabies vaccine and microchip

SPAY/NEUTER \$100

FECAL CHECK \$30

DISTEMPER/ETC. \$81

(ASSUMING 3 SHOTS)

**OTHER FEES**

BOARDING \$15/DAY

IMPOUND \$30