

You can expect to pay £15-£30 to have your dog microchipped at the vets.

Alternatively you may want to contact your local authority Dog Warden.

### **Why not have your dog microchipped today?**

Remember, microchipping is a great way to identify your dog but you can only be reunited with a missing pet if your details are up to date. If you move house or change your telephone number please call PetLog on 0844 463 3999 as soon as possible to let them know.

**Be a responsible owner and neuter your dog – it's simply the best choice for you and your pet.**

**If you are interested in rehoming a dog, supporting Dogs Trust or for more information and factsheets about all aspects of dog ownership, please visit [www.dogstrust.org.uk](http://www.dogstrust.org.uk) or contact:**

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## **Microchipping**

**Your dog could be lost without it!**



**Microchipping provides the security of knowing that should your dog stray, the chances of being reunited with him will significantly increase.**

Whilst every dog owner is legally obliged to ensure that their dog is wearing a collar and tag, these can easily get lost or can be removed if a dog is stolen. A microchip is permanent.

**Here is our advice and information on microchipping:**

**What is a microchip?**

A microchip is a small electronic device, the size of a grain of rice. The microchip is coded with a unique number that can be read by a scanner and then entered onto the national database alongside the owner's details.

**How and where is the microchip implanted?**

Using a specially designed implanting device, the microchip is injected through a sterile needle under the dog's skin between the shoulder blades.

**Does it hurt?**

No, it does not hurt the dog. No anaesthetic is required and the procedure should cause no more discomfort than a standard vaccination.

**Who has a scanner?**

These can be found at most veterinary practices, local authorities and animal welfare groups.

**How are the owners traced?**

If a stray dog is found to have a microchip, the local authority, vet practice or animal welfare organisation will contact the national 24 hour database to find the owner's details. The owner can then be contacted and reunited with their dog.

**Where can I get my dog microchipped?**

Most veterinary practices in the UK can microchip your dog, along with a growing number of local authorities and animal welfare groups.

All Dogs Trust Rehoming Centres can also microchip your dog.

Dogs Trust also microchips all dogs that come into our Rehoming Centres before they are rehomed.

**How much will it cost?**

Dogs Trust currently provides a microchipping service at our Rehoming Centres for free. Please contact them directly to book an appointment. To find your nearest centre please visit [www.dogstrust.org.uk](http://www.dogstrust.org.uk)

