

**OFFICE OF THE CRAWFORD COUNTY AUDITOR**

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**News Release**

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**AUDITOR'S OFFICE ANNOUNCES 2016 DOG REGISTRATION PROGRAM**

Crawford County Auditor Joan Wolfe announced today that the 2016 Dog License Registration Program began on December 1, 2015. The County Auditor's Office has mailed over five thousand dog and kennel registration applications to individuals who currently own a dog or have a kennel in Crawford County. "Anyone who owns a dog or has a kennel is required to purchase a license by February 1, 2016," said Auditor Wolfe.

**New for 2014; continuing in 2016.** Ohio law was changed to allow dog owners the option of purchasing either a one-year license, a three-year license, or dog owners may purchase a permanent dog license. The Board of County Commissioners establish the dog license fees annually, and for 2016 the cost of these licenses will be:

- One-year license - \$16.00
- Three-year license - \$48.00
- Permanent license - \$160.00

"Dog owners should be aware that Ohio law does not allow the County Auditor's Office to refund dog license fees. As such, if a dog owner purchases a three-year or permanent license and something happens to the dog, the County Auditor is without legal authority to refund dog owners the license fee paid" said County Auditor Joan Wolfe.

Dog owners purchasing a single year license may do so by utilizing one of the methods listed below:

1. By returning the registration form, along with the appropriate payment via U.S. Mail;
2. By visiting the County Auditor's Office between 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday;
3. Via the Internet at [www.doglicenses.us/oh/crawford](http://www.doglicenses.us/oh/crawford)
4. By going to one of the designated satellite agencies listed below

Dog owners purchasing a three-year or permanent license, or that require a renewal of a kennel license, may do so by utilizing one of the methods listed below:

1. By returning the registration form, along with the appropriate payment via U.S. Mail;
2. By visiting the County Auditor's Office between 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday;
3. Via the Internet at [www.doglicenses.us/oh/crawford](http://www.doglicenses.us/oh/crawford)

The on-line licensing service will be available from December 1<sup>st</sup> through February 1<sup>st</sup> and requires payment using a credit card. Dog owners utilizing the on-line dog licensing service will be charged a convenience fee, by the company providing the program, of \$2.25 for an annual license, \$3.75 for a three-year license, \$9.75 for a permanent license, and \$5.75 for a kennel license.

**SATELLITE OFFICES – ONE YEAR LICENSES SOLD AT THESE LOCATIONS  
FROM DECEMBER 1, 2015 – FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

Crawford County Humane Society  
3590 St Rt 98  
Bucyrus, OH 44820  
419-562-9149  
Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.; 10-5 Sat. 10-4 closed Wednesday and Sunday

Horizon Animal Hospital  
933 Bucyrus Rd.  
Galion, OH 44833  
419-468-2169  
Hours: Monday 8-7, Wednesday 8-8, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8-6

The Crestline Advocate  
312 N Seltzer St  
Crestline, OH 44827  
419-683-3355  
Hours: Monday- Friday 8-5

New Washington Herald  
625 S. Kibler St.  
New Washington, Ohio 44854  
419-492-2133  
Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30-4:00

Each satellite agency charges an administrative fee of seventy-five cents for each registration form processed.

In order to avoid additional penalties or fees, County Auditor Joan Wolfe encourages dog owners to purchase their licenses prior to the February 1, 2016 deadline. For further information, dog owners may call the County Auditor's Office at 419-562-7941.