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Dog and cat registration due now

A reminder to South Australian dog and cat owners that all council pet registrations are due by 31 August 2018.

Pet owners can now simply register or renew their dog or cat's registration on the internet with the new [Dogs and Cats Online](#) website, which launched on 1 July 2018.

Dog and Cat Management Board Chairperson Felicity-ann Lewis said Dogs and Cats Online is a new centralised database, combining South Australia's 68 council databases into a one-stop shop to manage the state's pet registration, microchip details as well as breeder and seller information.

"We urge pet owners to take advantage of the online system to pay their pet registration on time," Dr Lewis said.

"All dogs registered will receive a once-off registration number printed on a plastic grey tag.

"The new rules mean owners can replace this grey tag with a metal disc of their choice. It can be any design the owner wishes, as long as the registration number is engraved legibly."

The Dog and Cat Management Board also reminds pet owners that all South Australian dog and cat microchip information is required by law to be entered correctly in Dogs and Cats Online. Cat registration fees may apply to cats kept in the councils that have cat registration in their by-laws.

"Dogs and Cats Online is the new statewide, central tool to help council, pounds and shelters identify found dogs and cats and reunite them with their owners as soon as possible," Dr Lewis said

"So it is important that your pet's microchip information is kept up to date in the system."

Dogs and Cats Online is one of four major South Australian pet reforms that began on 1 July 2018. The reform also included mandatory desexing for dogs and cats born after 1 July 2018, compulsory microchipping for all dogs and cats as well as new rules for dog and cat breeders and sellers.

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