

**Sturbridge General Bylaws  
As Amended 2002**

5.10    LICENSING OF DOGS

Every owner of a dog that is six (6) months or older must license the dog and ensure that its rabies vaccination is up to date.

An owner must secure a license each year and provide proof of vaccination at the time of licensing.

The licensing year will run from January 1 to December 31 of each year. Licenses must be obtained by March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year or the owner will be assessed a late fee.

Fees for licensing and late fees shall be set by the Town Clerk and may be amended from time to time, consistent with state law.

A dog license may be obtained by mail by providing a copy of the dog's rabies vaccination, the fee and owner and address information. As per the instruction on the Annual Town Census which is mailed out to every household in January of each year.

UNLICENSED DOGS

The owner of any dog found without a current license shall be subject to a fine of \$25.