








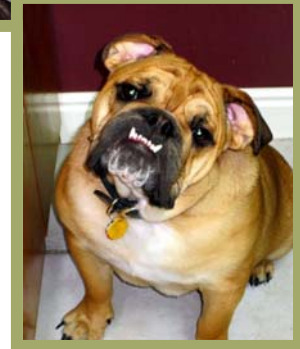
PET IDENTIFICATION





Collar and tags can expedite your pet's safe return home.

Identification Tag


-  The ID tag may include the owner's name and phone number. You may opt to add your address and alternate phone numbers and your pet's name.
-  If you are traveling, put a temporary ID tag on your pet with the contact information of someone who knows how to reach you.
-  For cats, use a specially made breakaway collar that allows the cat to escape if it gets caught on window blinds, furniture, fencing or other objects.
-  Some owner's write their your phone number on the pet's collar with a permanent marker.
-  Puppies under the age of 3 months are required have an identification tag attached to the puppy's collar. (An ID tag is optional for dogs over 3 months old.)





Rabies Tag

-  Your pet's current rabies tag must be attached to its' collar, harness, or similar device.
-  Pets vaccinated by a Broomfield veterinarian will receive a Broomfield rabies tag. If your pet is vaccinated outside of Broomfield, you may take the current rabies certificate to the Community Assistance Center at One Descombes Drive to get a Broomfield tag (Free of Charge).


Microchip

 A microchip is a tiny capsule about the size of a grain of rice that is inserted using a needle. In dogs and cats, microchips are inserted under the pet's skin between the shoulder blades. The injection takes only a couple of seconds and is generally painless.

 How do microchips work? Each chip contains a unique ID number that can be read by a microchip scanner and matched with the owner information in a database. A microchip is effective in reuniting a lost pet with his owner. For this reason, it is important that the owner's contact information in the database is accurate. Remember to register your pet's microchip with the appropriate database and always update your contact information promptly when you move or get a new phone number.

 Microchipping serves as a permanent identification system that will always be with your pet. Nearly all animal shelters across the country routinely scan every animal upon intake for the presence of a microchip. Most veterinary clinics also have microchip scanners. Broomfield Animal Control scans stray dogs for microchips.

Note: Even though your pet has a microchip, you are still required to have a collar and rabies tag on your pet.

 **Remember:** You increase the likelihood of your pet's safe return by keeping your contact information up-to-date on your pet's ID tags and with the microchip company.

 For a complete listing of the animal-related ordinances visit: www.broomfield.org/code.

For additional information contact Broomfield Police Animal Control at 303-438-6400.

