

## Important Contacts

City of Carpinteria  
5775 Carpinteria Avenue  
Carpinteria, CA 93013  
(805) 684-5405

For emergencies only when City Hall is closed call the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's at 911 or 683-2724. Animal Control is available from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at (805) 755-4418 and on weekends at (805) 755-4413

S. B. Humane Society - 964-4777  
Lost and Found Hotline - 564-6862

S. B. City Animal Control - 963-1513

S. B. County Animal Services - 681-5285

S. B. Marine Mammal Center - 687-3255

S. B. Animal Rescue—969-1001

Wildlife Care Network - 966-9005  
(Injured Birds and Small Mammals)

Agricultural Commission - 681-5600  
(Raccoon & Opossum trapping)

Mosquito & Vector Control District -  
969-5050 (Bees, Wasps, Rats and Mice)

24 - Hour Emergency Services  
Care Hospital - 899-2273  
White's Pet Hospital—966-1604

## Community Development Department Mission Statement

The Community Development Department will provide proactive customer service to ensure that the physical development of the community enhances Carpinteria's small beach town character. In partnership with the community, we will promote a high quality of life by consistently and fairly enforcing regulations to preserve neighborhoods, achieve well-designed buildings, and contribute to a safe, healthy, livable and economically prosperous environment.



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Code Compliance Division  
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755-4418

## ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

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# ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL REGULATIONS



The City of Carpinteria is responsible for providing Animal Care and Control services within the city limits. Authority to provide these services comes from the Carpinteria Municipal Code (CMC), Food and Agricultural Code, Health and Safety Codes, the Penal Code and State laws.

The Code Compliance Division regulates Animal Care and Control under the Community Development Department. Our mission is to educate the public regarding animal regulations and to protect the welfare of residents and their pets.

Code Compliance Officers enforce leash laws, dog waste pick-up, respond to calls of stray and lost pets and maintain a database of dog licenses. Stray dogs and cats are sheltered short-term at City Hall and long-term at the Animal Medical Clinic. Officers investigate dog bites, reports of dangerous or vicious dogs and resolve animal and fowl nuisances. Calls for raccoons, opossums and various wildlife and marine mammals are referred to the appropriate agency listed under Important Contacts.

## COMMON QUESTIONS

**Is there a leash law in Carpinteria?** Yes, all dogs are required to be leashed within the City limits at public areas such as parks, beaches and at the Bluffs Preserve. Dogs are prohibited at all times on the City Beach between Linden and Ash Avenues and at the Salt Marsh. Dogs are prohibited on the

beach at the Harbor Seal Rookery near Casitas Pier from December 1 through May 31.

**What if I find a stray or lost dog?** Contact Animal Care and Control within 24 hours and the dog will be picked up and returned to the owner.

**What happens if my dog bites a person or if a dog bites me?** A bite report must be taken if a person's skin is punctured, and the dog must be quarantined for ten days at the home of the owner and observed for rabies.

**What if I see or come in contact with a dangerous or vicious dog?** If you must take defensive action to prevent an injury, or if an unprovoked bite occurs immediately report the incident to the City.

**Do you handle raccoons or opossums?** No, these animals are nocturnal and are best left alone. For trapping and removal, see Important Contacts.

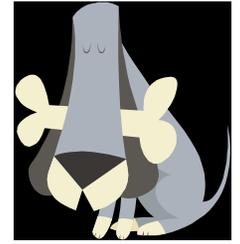
**What are the fees for stray dogs?** Impound fees are \$74 for the first release, \$115 for the second release and \$195 for the third release.

**Whom shall I call in case of an animal emergency?** Call the Sheriff's Department at 911 or 683-2724 or other numbers are under Important Contacts on the back of the brochure.



## DOG LICENSES

Every dog four months of age or older must have a dog license per CMC § 6.04.230. Dog licenses are not transferable and any change of ownership requires a new license.



Licenses are sold at City Hall with proof of rabies vaccinations and at the following locations for the following fees:

M. Scott Smith, D.V.M.  
Animal Medical Clinic  
1037 Casitas Pass Road  
Carpinteria (805) 684-8665

William J. Otto, D.V.M.  
Carpinteria Veterinary Hospital  
585 Walnut Avenue  
Carpinteria (805) 684-3617

S. B. Humane Society  
5399 Overpass Road, S.B.  
(805) 964-4777

Altered Dog	\$25
Unaltered	\$50
Altered dog owned by Senior	\$15
Unaltered dog owned by Senior	\$50

**ANIMAL NUISANCES** The Municipal Code prohibits animals that cause "excessive noise" which is characterized by the utterance of barks, cries or sounds which are loud and frequent and continued over a period of time. Two reporting parties residing in two or more separate dwellings must report in writing for Code Compliance to send a "Notice to Abate" the noise.

Carpinteria Municipal Code Chapter 6.04 Animal Control can be viewed online at [www.carpinteria.ca.us](http://www.carpinteria.ca.us).