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## **Agriculture Secretary Announced Availability of 2022 Dog Licenses as Perfect Holiday Gift for Our Constant Companions**

**Carlisle, PA** – Today at the Cumberland County Court House, Agriculture Secretary Russell Redding and Treasurer Kelly Neiderer announced availability of 2022 dog licenses, reminding Pennsylvania dog owners that a dog license makes the perfect stocking stuffer for canine companions.

“The best way to protect your dog this holiday season, and every day of the year, is to license your dog,” said Secretary Redding. “2022 licenses must be purchased by December 31, so why not give your best friend the gift of security on Christmas day.”

All dogs three months of age and older are required to be licensed. The fee for an annual dog license is \$6.50, or \$8.50 if the animal is not spayed or neutered. Lifetime licenses are available for dogs that have permanent identification such as a microchip or tattoo. Discounts are available for qualifying older adults and persons with disabilities.

Licensing dollars support the work of the Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement to:

- Inspect Pennsylvania’s kennels and ensure the health and wellbeing of the dogs that spend their lives there;
- Investigate and prosecute illegal kennels and bad actors;
- Protect the public by monitoring PA’s dangerous dogs and investigating dog bites; and
- Reunite licensed lost dogs with their families and help unlicensed lost dogs find shelter.

“Make sure your dog gets a license in their stocking, it’s the best way to get them back home if they get lost,” said Cumberland County Treasurer Kelly Neiderer. “Dog owners can purchase an annual license in-person, online or by mail.”

Pennsylvania dog licenses are available for purchase through Pennsylvania’s county treasurers. To ensure you’re purchasing a legitimate license and not [being scammed](#), skip the search engine and type [licenseyourdogpa.pa.gov](https://licenseyourdogpa.pa.gov) into your browser’s address bar find your [county treasurer’s](#) information.

“It’s simple, if you love your dog, license your dog,” added Redding. “The process is quick and easy to do, and every license sold helps dog wardens, animal rescues, and shelters to keep the dogs, and people, of Pennsylvania safe.”

For more information of Pennsylvania’s dog laws, visit [agriculture.pa.gov](http://agriculture.pa.gov) or [licenseyourdogpa.pa.gov](http://licenseyourdogpa.pa.gov).

Note: Photos and video will be available at [www.pacast.com](http://www.pacast.com).

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