

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

EMERGENCIES:	9-1-1
Non-emergency Calls for Animal Services:	554-3645
Glynn County Animal Shelter:	554-7500
Humane Society:	264-1191
Cheek to Cheek Animal Hospital:	262-6851
Daniell Veterinary Clinic:	264-9500
Golden Isles Animal Hospital:	267-6002
River City Animal Hospital:	904-733-8123
Pest Pro Inc. Wildlife Removal :	280-0089
Coastal Wildlife Removal:	266-3063
Professional Standards FAX:	554-7954

Website: www.brunswickpolice.org



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**DO YOU HAVE
QUESTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS?**

The Brunswick Police Department is committed to providing the best animal control services possible. Citizen cooperation and participation are essential if the Department is to succeed in this goal.

If you have any questions about any specific action taken by the animal control unit, how the unit operates, or have a recommendation on how we can improve our services, please call the Brunswick Police Department Internal Affairs Section at 280-6962 or 266-6584.

Your questions or recommendations can also be mailed directly to:

Chief Edna Johnson
Brunswick Police Department
206 Mansfield Street
Brunswick, GA 31520

David M. Senior
Animal Control Officer



**BRUNSWICK POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

**ANIMAL CONTROL
UNIT**



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VISION

The City of Brunswick Police Department will strive to be a premier agency recognized for integrity, professional law enforcement, community policing and aggressive crime fighting.

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide quality law enforcement services using proactive enforcement, community partnerships, problem solving and technology which creates a safe, secure and desirable living and working environment for the citizens, visitors and business community of Brunswick, Georgia.

VALUES

In support of our Vision and Mission, the following will guide our day-to-day behavior and decision-making. We will be:

- Ethical**
- Respectful**
- Professional**
- Community-Oriented**
- Performance Driven**

We are the Animal Control unit for the Brunswick Police Department, falling under the command of the Office of Professional Standards.

What we do

Enforce the State of Georgia and City of Brunswick laws and ordinances pertaining to the regulation and control of dogs, cats, and other animals.

Provide for the capture and impoundment of unwanted, stray, sick, and injured animals, if warranted.

Conduct investigations into matters pertaining to cruelty to animal crimes.

Educate the community in responsible pet ownership.

Provide information on spaying and neutering.

Patrol the city using a special animal control vehicle which is equipped with specialized equipment to aid in the capture of stray, injured, and dangerous animals within the city.

Investigate reports of animal abuse, animal bites, dogs and cats running at large, and animal nuisance complaints.

Seek emergency veterinary care for sick and injured animals without owners (strays).

Provide traps for residents for the capture of unwanted animals roaming on a resident's property. Stray dogs are normally captured through manual means, however traps are available for dogs as well.

Provide pick-up of unwanted animals for residents without the means to take them to the Glynn County Animal Shelter themselves.

Selected Animal Ordinances

(Abridged)

The owner of a dog or cat MUST possess a current Certificate of Rabies Vaccination of each animal owned as provided for by the laws of the State of Georgia.

It shall be a violation:

For the owner of any dog or cat to allow such dog or cat to run at large. (Any public nuisance dog or cat or any dog or cat causing a disturbance while not on a leash or in the vicinity of the owner and obedient to that person's commands is defined as running at large.)

For the owner to permit a dog or cat off the premises of that owner's property without a collar and identification tag. The identification tag shall give the name, current address and telephone number of the owner.

For the owner of any dog to not immediately remove excrement deposited by the dog upon any sidewalk or fenced athletic playing field or fenced playground owned by the City of Brunswick.

For the owner to not promptly remove excrement deposited by the animal on private property of another upon being notified of the waste by the owner of the property or by a law or code enforcement officer of this City.

For any person to keep within the city limits any animal which makes such loud, raucous and continual noise as to disturb the peace and quiet of the neighborhood.

For any person to bring, keep, maintain or have within the corporate limits any livestock, cattle, poultry, including all domesticated animals normally kept or raised on a farm.



Did you know?

It's against Georgia law to kill any non-poisonous snake.

"At Large" ordinances apply equally to dogs and cats.

Animal Control may assist you in capturing a non-domesticated animal (i.e., raccoon, possums, etc.). Most wild animals and exotics however will require the citizen to contact a private, fee-based wildlife removal service.

Any resident may place or adopt an animal through the Glynn County Animal Shelter.

You need not wait to contact Animal Control for an animal complaint. Any Brunswick Police Officer can handle your complaint.

Georgia law requires the prompt reporting of all animal bites? This is done through the Brunswick Police Department.

The chances of a lost pet being recovered are greatly improved when the animal has an implanted microchip identifier.

Regular veterinary care is essential for your animals continued good health.

The best way to handle a feral cat problem is with a Trap, Spay/Neuter, Release and Manage Program.

The City of Brunswick does not have its own Animal Control Facility. Animals captured in the city are taken to the Glynn County Animal Shelter on a cost basis. Likewise when a city resident relinquishes an animal to the shelter, the City is charged a fee. In 2008, the City paid Glynn County \$59,980.00 in fees.

When the Glynn County animal shelter is closed due to overcrowding, we must utilize temporary kennels which are located behind police headquarters to house our animals. Unfortunately, these kennels provide only a limited amount of space. Depending on breed and temperament, we may only be able to house three dogs at any one time. When the shelter is closed, and our kennels are full, we are sometimes temporarily unable to meet the need to pickup stray animals within the city. While we endeavor to meet the needs of our citizens, we must also consider the humane treatment of the animals in our care. When we experience hot or cold weather (above 88 degrees or below 45 degrees), and the Glynn County Shelter is full, we cannot trap, pickup, or capture animals. (This is a Department of Agriculture limitation.)

Requests for animal traps can be made to animal control. We will place it on your property and while we will monitor the trap for captured animals, we rely on you to closely monitor the trap and promptly report any animal capture to animal control. This ensures that the animals are treated humanely by limiting the time of their confinement. Because we have a limited number of traps, there may be a waiting period between the time a trap is requested, and the time one is actually placed.