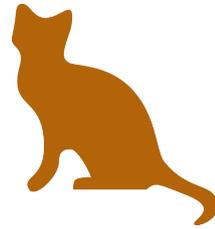


# Microchip Implanters



## FACT SHEET

### How will the new cat laws affect Microchip Implanters?



As from 1 November 2013 all domestic cats in the City of Kalamunda over six months of age need to be sterilised, microchipped and registered with the City as the full *Cat Act 2011* comes into effect.

#### Who can microchip cats?

Vets, vet nurses or people with the following qualifications from a registered training provider:

- ACMMIC401A Implant Microchip in Cats and Dogs; and
- A minimum of one of the following certificates:
  - Advanced Certificate in Veterinary Nursing
  - Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing
  - Certificate III in Animal Technology
  - Certificate III in Companion Animal Services
  - Certificate III in Local Government (Animal Management)
  - Certificate IV in Animal Control and Regulation
  - Certificate IV in Animal Welfare (Regulation)
  - Certificate IV in Captive Animals
  - Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services

#### What information does the microchip implanter need to record?

The microchip implanter needs to record:

- the microchip barcode information or sticker;
- the microchip number;
- the microchip implanter's full name;
- if the microchip implanter is a part of a company or organisation, the name of that company or organisation;
- full contact details for the microchip implanter's company or organisation (if applicable);
- the date the cat was microchipped;
- the cat owner's full name, residential address, contact numbers and email address;
- the address at which the cat is normally kept; and
- the cat's name, age, breed, colour, gender and sterilisation status of the cat.



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### Do the microchips used need to comply with any National Codes?

Yes, any microchip implanted must comply with one of the following National Codes:

- AS 5018 - 2001 Electronic Animal Identification - National coding scheme, published 29 June 2001; or
- AS 5019 - 2001 Electronic Animal Identification - Radiofrequency methods, published 7 June 2001.

The Australian Standards can be accessed for free from the State Library of Western Australia.

### Who are the prescribed microchip database companies?

- Central Animal Records (Aust) Pty Ltd;
- HomesafeID;
- Petsafe;
- Australasian Animal Registry; and
- National Pet Register.

### When does this have to be done?

Within seven days of implanting the microchip.

### Are there any penalties for the microchip implanters?

Yes, a maximum court-imposed fine of \$5,000 for failure to advise the microchip database company of the above information within seven days.

### Where can I get more information?

For more information, including tips for being a responsible cat owner, contact the City of Kalamunda Rangers on 9257 9919 or visit [www.kalamunda.wa.gov.au/rangers](http://www.kalamunda.wa.gov.au/rangers).

### What is the purpose of the *Cat Act 2011*?

Our new cat laws are about encouraging responsible pet ownership and reducing the number of unwanted cats in the community and the number that are euthanised each year.

The full *Cat Act 2011* will take effect from **1 November 2013** and will require all cats within the City of Kalamunda that have reached six months of age to be:

- Microchipped;
- Sterilised; and
- Registered with the City.

