

REPUBLIC OF NAURU DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND BORDER CONTROL

PUBLIC NOTICE SAVE YOUR PET LICENCE YOUR DOG

As a response to increasing number of dogs, the Dog Licensing Authority is exercising its powers under the *Dog Management and Control Act 2017* to address the issue of the increasing dog population causing danger to public safety.

Dog licensing is compulsory. A one-off licensing fee for dog licensing is now reduced to \$20.00 per dog. A household can only have 2 dogs. This is your time to save and look after your pet by getting them licensed at the Department of Justice. Forms are available for the purpose of licensing. This amnesty is only for 30 days commencing from 10th August 2020 to 10th September 2020. After that, the full licensing fee will apply.

All unlicensed dogs are deemed to be stray or wild dogs. Stray and wild dogs will be caught and destroyed without any delay by the Authority.

Members of the public may also contact the Dog Licensing Authority to remove dogs which do not belong to them but are living around their residences.

The Authority is currently undertaking the following:

- (a) on request of any member of the public, a stray or wild dog will be caught and destroyed;
- (b) a compulsory trap will be set for dogs around the island to maximise the catching and destroying of unlicensed dogs; and
- (c) other aggressive measures will be undertaken and will be announced in due course.

Members of the public are requested to cooperate with Authorised Officers to assist in reducing the stray and wild dog population on the island for the purposes of public and health safety. It is an offence to interfere, obstruct or abuse Authorised Officers carrying out their duty under the *Dog Management and Control Act 2017*, which carries a fine and term of imprisonment.

Your contact numbers are:

Amy Tsitsi – 557 9244/558 5505 Paulinus Ika - 557 2966 Chamrock Agir - 558 2936

DATED this 6th day of August 2020.

DOG LICENSING AUTHORITY