

Early Bird Animal Licensing Rates Available

Starting in October for Ponoka Residents



Residents will be able to access the early bird rate by renewing their animal licences for the 2023 year between October 1 and December 31, 2022.

The early bird rate also applies to:

- New Ponoka residents who move to town as of October 1, 2022 and own a dog and/or cat; and
- Residents who become first-time animal owners of a dog and/or cat as of October 1, 2022.

Why should I license my pet?

- All dogs and cats six months of age and older must be licensed annually in the Town of Ponoka, as per the Town's Animal Control Bylaw #424-19.
- An animal licence is your pet's ticket home and helps ensure they can more easily be returned home safely by the Town's animal control contractor, Old MacDonald Kennels.
- Licensing also saves pet owners added cost if your animal accidentally escapes your property, which can result in a fine for failing to license your cat or dog. Animal licence fees help offset the cost of the animal control contractor's services provided by the Town of Ponoka.

For more information, please visit the Town of Ponoka's website at www.ponoka.ca/p/dog-cat-licences.

Kick It to the Curb October 11 - 16

Free.
Enjoy!

Turn your unwanted items into somebody else's treasure!

Residents are invited to place items they wish to give away in their front yard with a 'FREE' sign attached to them. People can then come by and pick up any items they would like to bring home.

Shoppers' are asked to please respect others' property and avoid driving or walking on gardens or neighbouring lawns.

At the end of the week, residents are asked to bring any uncollected items back into their home. Citizens are encouraged to consider donating these items to a local charity or thrift shop rather than throwing them away.

Kick it to the Curb Week promotes reuse and recycling. It's like a community-wide garage sale, except everything is free for the taking.

Happy treasure hunting!

~ TOWN NEWS ~

- **Town Facilities Thanksgiving Hours** – All Town facilities will be closed on Monday, October 10 for the Thanksgiving statutory holiday. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, October 11.
- **Public Skating and Shinny Hockey** – Throughout October, the Ponoka Arena Complex is offering public skating and shinny hockey for only two dollars per person. Recreation passes can also be used. These can be purchased through the Ponoka Aquaplex and Ponoka Arena Complex. For more information and to view the public skating and shinny hockey schedule, please visit www.ponoka.ca/p/ice-season-programming
- **Recently Issued Development Permits** – To view a list of the most recent development permits, please visit the Town's website www.ponoka.ca/p/development-permits-and-decisions-issued
- **Grey Carts and Green Carts** should be placed at the curb for pick up on October 5, 6 and 7 – depending on your Zone.
- **Green Carts and Recyclable Materials** bundled in clear or blue transparent plastic bags should be placed at the curb for pick up on October 12, 13 and 14 – depending on what Zone you live in.
- **Missed Pickups** – If your curbside recycling, compost (green cart) or waste (grey cart) was not picked up on your designated collection day, please contact E360S dispatch at 403-341-9300 or by email at rddispatch@e360s.ca. For more information on the curbside waste collection program, please visit the Town website at www.ponoka.ca/p/waste-management or call the Town office at 403-783-4431.

~ UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS ~

- **Next TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, October 11 at 6 p.m.**
- **Next PRIORITIES AND INITIATIVES MEETING: Tuesday, October 18 at 6 p.m.**
- **2023 BUDGET DELIBERATION DATES: Tuesday, November 1 and Wednesday, November 2** (stay tuned for more details).
- The public is welcome to attend all Council meetings. Meetings and budget deliberations will be held in Town Council Chambers on the third floor of the Ponoka Civic Centre (5604 50 Street).

Annual Fall Clean Up Starts Tuesday, October 11

- The Town of Ponoka will make one pass down each back alley to collect yard waste (grass clippings, leaves, weeds and branches less than five feet) in excess of what will fit in your Green Cart.
- For more information, please visit www.ponoka.ca under 'Latest News and Notices.'



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