



# Secure your cat's future: microchip and register them today!

Keep your cat safe and ensure a happy reunion if they get lost.

## Microchipping

**Why it matters:** By law, all cats in Victoria must be microchipped before being sold, given away or registered with council. This tiny, safe device under their skin holds a unique ID linking them to you.

### Benefits:

**Faster reunions:** If your cat gets lost, a microchip scan can reunite you quickly.

**Increased safety:** Unidentified cats may end up in shelters, potentially facing rehoming or euthanasia.

**Peace of mind:** Knowing your cat can be identified and quickly returned brings comfort.

### Getting your cat microchipped:

**Simple and safe:** Done by vets or at council microchipping events.

**Update details:** Keep your contact information current with the microchip registry ([petaddress.com.au](http://petaddress.com.au)) and local council.

## Cat registration

**Mandatory for all cats over 3 months old.**

**Renew by 10 April annually.**

### Benefits:

**Immediate identification:** A council tag shows your cat has an owner.

**Reduced fees for desexed cats.**

**Supports vital services:** Reuniting owners with lost pets, local animal control, maintaining pounds and public education.

**How to register:** Contact your local council.

## Next Steps

**Get your cat microchipped:** Contact your local vet or council for microchipping services.

**Register your cat:** Visit your council website or office.

**Don't wait! Spread the word:** Encourage friends and family to do the same for their feline companions.

## Remember

- Microchipping is a one-time procedure, while council registration requires annual renewal.
- Keep your contact information current for both microchip registries and council registration.
- Desexing your cat offers reduced registration fees and other benefits.
- Taking these simple steps can make a world of difference for your cat's wellbeing and your peace of mind.

Make sure your cat comes home to you:

**Microchip and register today!**

For more information visit:

[animalwelfare.vic.gov.au/reunite](http://animalwelfare.vic.gov.au/reunite)