## For your beloved dog

You may think there is no way your lovely pooch would bother others. However, the City receives plenty of complaints about the behavior of dogs.

Top dog complaints to Minato City

- 1: Dog poop not cleaned up
- 2: Walking off lead
- 3: Barking noise

# The importance of discipline

If your dog is well disciplined, not only will it behave around others, it will also be easier to care for its health, such as toileting, and you will find life with your dog becomes fuller and more enjoyable.

It is very important for dog owners to teach their dog the rules for living in harmony with other people and dogs. It is also essential for owners to study up about canine discipline. Get informed by reading a book or attending a class about disciplining your dog.



### Don't forget registration and rabies vaccination

- ① Register your new dog (lasts lifetime of dog)
- ② Get your dog vaccinated against rabies (annual)
- 3 You must put the license tag and vaccination tag on your dog

Registration and vaccination, and the attachment of license and vaccination tags to dogs are compulsory under the Rabies Prevention Act (subject to a fine of up to 200,000 yen).



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Picking up license tags and vaccination certificates, changing your address, death notifications: Health and Welfare Subsection, Residents Support Section of each regional city office

Advice about dog etiquette: Collaboration Project Subsection, Collaboration Project Section of each regional city office

Shiba Regional City Office

1-5-25 Shibakoen TEL 3578-3111

Azabu Regional City Office

5-16-45 Roppongi TEL 3583-4151

Akasaka Regional City Office

4-18-13 Akasaka TEL 5413-7011

Takanawa Regional City Office

1-16-25 Takanawa TEL 5421-7611

Shibaura-konan Regional City Office

1-16-1 Shibaura TEL 3456-4151

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For us all enjoy a pleasant life

- people and their pet dogs included we need to be considerate of others around us.

Make sure that your dog is trained to be a good dog.



Minato Public Health Center

### Put your dog on a lead when out walking

Failing to place a lead on your dog when out walking is an offence under the Tokyo Animal and Welfare Management Ordinance. This is very dangerous, because dogs can leap up suddenly and surprise or injure others, and in the past there have been dogs killed by vehicles because they were off their lead. Keep a leash on your dog and make sure you are in control. If you are using an extendable lead, lock it at the shortest setting. If the lead is too long, you may not be able to restrain your dog in an urgent situation, which could be dangerous for walkers or cyclists.



### Take poop home with you

All toileting is your responsibly as the owner. When heading out to walk your dog, take a bag for poop, pet sheets and water. If the dog poops, collect it and take it home. In the case of peeing, use a pet sheet to wipe it up, then pour some water on the spot to clean away the residue.



# Pay attention to barking

Is persistent barking when your dog is home alone or when guests visit a nuisance to your neighbors? Dogs always bark for a reason. Find out why it is happening and if you can't work it out, consult a trusted vet or dog trainer.

# What if my dog bites someone?

In the event that your pet dog bites someone, aid the victim in good faith. As the owner, you are also required to notify the City of the accident.

- Apply first aid to the injured person. Please consider accompanying them to the hospital if necessary.
- ② Take steps to prevent another incident in future (by setting your lead to short, for example).
- ③ You are required to submit an accident notification form to your nearest City office within 24 hours of the accident.
- 4 An examination by a vet is required to determine the presence of any rabies infection within 48 hours of the accident.

\*If the victim is injured, compensation may be required.

