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Effective Until Further Notice

### **MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: OWNER SURRENDER POLICY**

It is the policy of The Knox County Animal Shelter when there are thirty (30) or more dogs on premises, the acceptance of owner surrenders will be suspended. Once the number of dogs on the premises falls below thirty (30) dogs, the suspension will be lifted. However, there are certain instances when owner surrenders are suspended due to bacteria/virus outbreaks, disinfection/deep cleaning, etc. Ultimately, the acceptance of owner surrenders is at the discretion of the Knox County Dog Warden, as they monitor the number of dogs and conditions at the shelter on a daily basis.

Pet owners are encouraged to locate a suitable home for their dog. We understand this is not always possible. The Knox County Animal Shelter fee for owner surrendering of a dog is \$120.00. The fee for owner surrendering of a licensed dog for euthanasia is \$50.00 and a non-licensed dog for euthanasia is \$66.00.

### **Knox County Animal Control and Shelter**

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