

COUNTY	COUNTY SHELTER	PRIVATE SHELTER	S/N REQ'D FOR ADOPTION	COUNTY WIDE LEASH LAW	LICENSING REQUIRED	DIFFERENTIAL LICENSING	BREEDING PERMITS OR RESTRICTIONS	BREED SPECIFIC LAWS	EXOTICS PROHIBITED
<b>Alamance</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Alexander</b>	Yes		Yes - after	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>Alleghany</b>	No	Twin Oaks Vet	No	No	No	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer
<b>Anson</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Ashe</b>	Yes		Yes - after	No	Yes - \$2 / Lifetime \$10	No	No	No	must have permission to own
<b>Avery</b>	No	Humane Society	Yes - before	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Beaufort</b>	Yes		Yes - after	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Bertie</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Bladen</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Brunswick</b>	Yes		Yes - after	Direct control and nuisance law	No	No	No	No	Detailed Regulations
<b>Buncombe</b>	SPCA		Yes - before	Yes	Yes	Yes \$100 unaltered animal permit	Yes Mandatory S/N at 6 months of age	No	
<b>Burke</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes-from Burke County Friends for Animals	No	Yes	Yes \$4 / \$10; \$25 kennel license over 5 dogs	No	No	No
<b>Cabarrus</b>	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes Zoning Ordinance - greater than 5 needs permit	No	in progress
<b>Caldwell</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>Camden</b>	County owns shelter; SPCA runs shelter		Yes	No	Yes		No	No	No
<b>Carteret</b>	No	Humane Society	Yes - after	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Caswell</b>	No	APS	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Catawba</b>	Yes		Yes - after	No	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer
<b>Chatham</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Permit&Liability Insurance
<b>Cherokee</b>	No - served by Valley River Humane		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Chowan</b>	Yes		Yes - after	No	Trying to get	No Answer	Trying to get	No	No

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Clay	No - served by Valley River Humane		Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Cleveland	Yes		Yes - after	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Columbus	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Craven	Yes		Yes - after	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Cumberland	Yes		S/N before adoption and microchip	Yes	Privilege license thru Tax Collector \$7.00	License req'd to own more than 3 dogs	No	No	Yes
Currituck	No	Yes	Issues S/N form to be returned	Yes-on dogs	No	No	No	No	Yes
Dare	No	Yes	S/N before adoption	only in Colington Harbor and County Rec facilities	Yes	Yes \$5 altered \$10 unaltered	No	No	
Davidson	Yes		S/N before adoption	Yes	No	No	No	No	Must register and carry liability insurance
Davie	No	Humane Society plans to open no-kill in 2006	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Duplin	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Durham	Yes	Yes	S/N before	Yes	Individual & Kennel licensing	Yes-altered \$10 / Intact \$75	No	No	Permit required
Edgecomb	Yes	Yes	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer
Forsyth	Yes	Yes	S/N before adoption	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Franklin	Yes		Yes (not enforced)	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Gaston	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Gates	Chowan County		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No [working on one]
Graham	No - served by Valley River Humane		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Granville	Yes		No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Greene	Yes		No Answer						
Guilford	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes Litter permit		Wild Animals prohibited

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<b>Halifax</b>	Yes	Yes	No Answer	No-may be local laws	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Harnett</b>	Yes		No	No/Nuisance Law	No	No	No	No	Some/Wolf Hybrids and Non Domestic Cats and Dangerous Reptiles
<b>Haywood</b>	Yes		Yes	Direct Control Law	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Henderson</b>	Yes		Yes & Chip	No/Nuisance Law	No				No Answer
<b>Hertford</b>	Yes		No	Yes (dogs)	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Hoke</b>		Hoke-Raeford HS	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Hyde</b>	No Ordinances		No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Iredell</b>	Yes		Yes	dogs must be under direct control	No	No	No	No	Yes
Iredell Note: If animals do not have a 3 week old Rabies vaccine, they are not adopted, they are euthanized.									
<b>Jackson</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Johnston</b>	Yes		Required thru SNAP after adoption	Direct control law	Privilege Tax	No	No	No	Inherently Dangerous Mammals Ordinance
<b>Jones</b>	No	Riverbank Vet Hosp for rabies only & emergencies	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Lee</b>	Yes		Yes-before adoption	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Lenoir</b>	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Lincoln</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Regulated-Registration
<b>Macon</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Madison</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Martin</b>	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>McDowell</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No

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<b>Mecklenburg</b>	Yes		S/N before adoption and microchip	Yes	Yes	Yes-S/N=\$10 and unaltered \$30	Yes-Livestock, fowl or more than 3 outside cats/dogs	No	Yes
<b>Mitchell</b>	No	Yes	Yes	No	No		No	No	No Answer
<b>Montgomery</b>	Yes	No	No	No	No		No	No	No Answer
<b>Moore</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Nash</b>	Yes		Yes	Nuisance law	Resale permits	No	No	No	Non Domestic prohibited
<b>New Hanover</b>	Yes	No	Yes	Direct Control law	Yes	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer
<b>Northampton</b>	Yes		No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Onslow</b>	Yes		Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Orange</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes-Livestock, fowl or more than 3 outside cats/dogs	No	Yes
<b>Pamlico</b>	Craven-Pamlico Animal Services		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Pasquotank</b>		SPCA of Eastern North Carolina	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
<b>Pender</b>	Yes		Yes	At large Ordinance	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Perquimans</b>	Chowan County		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Person</b>	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Pitt</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Polk</b>		Foothills Humane Society	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Randolph</b>	Yes	No	No Answer	Leashed/confined to owners yard	Privilege Tax	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer
<b>Richmond</b>		Richmond County Humane Society	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Robeson</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Rockingham</b>		Reidsville Vet. Hospital	Yes	Nuisance law-No at large animals	Tax Tag	Yes - \$5 altered and \$15 unaltered	No	No	Yes
<b>Rowan</b>	Yes	Humane Society using foster homes	Yes; voucher given	Yes	No	No	No	No	Permit required
<b>Rutherford</b>	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No

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<b>Sampson</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Scotland</b>	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Stanly</b>	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Stokes</b>	Yes	No	No	No-Nuisance Law	Tax tags	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Surry</b>	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Bans dangerous exotics
<b>Swain</b>	No - served by Valley River Humane		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Transylvania</b>	Yes	Yes-3	No	No	No	No	No	Bans ownership of dangerous dogs by anyone with arrest or conviction	No Answer
<b>Tyrrell</b> [no response]			No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer	No Answer
<b>Union</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	License required; size, weight limitations
<b>Vance</b>	Yes		Yes	No-Control law	\$2.00 Tax tag	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Wake</b>	Yes		Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Warren</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Washington</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Watauga</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Wayne</b>	Yes		Yes	No-prohibits dogs at large	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Wilkes</b>	Yes		No	No - public nuisance law	No- ID required	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Wilson</b>	Yes		No	No-Nuisance law	Tax Tag	No	Yes Permits for dealers and security dogs		No Answer
<b>Yadkin</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer
<b>Yancey</b>	Yes		No	No	No	No	No	No	No Answer

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<b>SUMMARY OF DATA</b>									
	Shelter operated by county?		Yes-76	No-22	No Answer-2				
	Shelter operated by private concern?		Yes-27						
	Spay/Neuter required for adopted animals?		Yes-64	No-31	No Answer-5				
	Is there a county-wide leash law?		Yes-21	No-77	No Answer-2				
	Does county require licensing?		Yes-24	No-73	No Answer-3				
	Does county have differential licensing?		Yes-9	No-84	No Answer-7				
	Does county have breeding permits?		Yes-6	No-88	No Answer-6				
	Does county have breed specific laws?		Yes-1	No-93	No Answer-6				
	Does county prohibit owning exotic animals?		Yes-17	No-49	No Answer-34				
<b>COMMENTS:</b>									
	1. Most of the larger towns/cities in all the counties had 'leash' laws. However, on a county-wide basis leash laws are overwhelming not in place.								
	Some counties use direct control or nuisance laws but not an actual leash law.								
	2. Many of the officers we spoke with indicated their county was 'working' on changes to their ordinances								
	3. Many indicated they wanted a leash law and spay/neuter for adopted pets								
	4. Although the number of counties that reported they require spay/neuter for adopted animals is in the majority, this is a combination of actual surgeries done prior to adoption and contracts that require spay/neuter be performed within a specific time frame. Not all agencies follow up successfully on adoption contracts								
	5. NCRAOA can provide sample leash laws upon request								
	6. NCRAOA can provide educational material for county personnel and citizens on pet related subjects.								
	7. We cross checked the counties that reported having differential licensing in place with the euthanasia statistics as reported in the Spay/Neuter summary reports for 2002 and 2003, and found no significant difference in percentage of animals euthanised vs intake when compared to counties that did not have differential licensing in place								
	7. This survey was completed using a combination of interviews with county personnel and review of available animal control ordinances.								
	8. NOTE to Animal Control Officers and County Officials: please report any errors and/or omissions to NCRAOA.								
North Carolina Responsible Animal Owners Alliance									
<a href="http://www.ncraoa.com">www.ncraoa.com</a>									