Frequently Asked Questions

What office should be called to report barking dogs, or other animal complaints?

The Animal Control Officer takes all complaints regarding domestic animal disturbances such as barking dogs, dogs running at large, etc. within the County. The Officer will investigate the complaint and initiate action for resolution as required. Contact the Animal Control Office at (864) 429-2808.

What should be done with dead animals?

If the dead animals it is on the road way you can call SCDOT at (864) 427-3575. If the dead animal is on private property, the property owner is responsible for removal.

What should be done with an injured or wounded animal?

Notify Animal Control at (864) 429-2808

Does Union County have a leash law?

Union County does not have a leash law but we have a nuisance ordinance that states an animal who habitually chases or runs after persons or vehicles, or which destroys or damages property of another person or legal entity or which causes serious annoyance to a neighboring resident and interferes with the reasonable use and enjoyment of property, shall be deemed a nuisance. With this we can require you keep your dog on your property.

What should be done or who should be called if you find or lose an animal?

Lost or missing animals should be reported to the Union County Animal Control and Shelter at 864-429-2808.

Do dogs and cats have to be vaccinated for rabies?

South Carolina state law mandates that all dogs and cats must be currently vaccinated for rabies by a licensed veterinarian and the vaccination tag must be displayed around the animals neck.

Who removes and handles wildlife such as ducks and raccoons?

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, (864) 288-1131, handles all wildlife.