

## Microchipping Information Sheet

**The microchipping of dogs (England, Wales and Scotland,) regulations 2015, requires all dogs to have been Microchipped and registered by April 2016.**

The microchip is implanted by means of an injection in the shoulder region of the pet, this microchip carries a unique number which shows up on a scanner as demonstrated to you by the implanter. Scanners are held by dog wardens, vets and charity organisations in fact, most people your pet might come into contact with should it get lost. The microchip number is used to register the keeper's details on one of the nominated databases. Once implanted the microchip is permanent and remaining in place for the life of your pet. Whilst the initial registration of the keeper's details will be carried out by the implanter of the microchip, it is the registered keeper's sole responsibility to ensure these details are kept up to date as there is now a potential penalty of up to £500 if an animal is picked up, where the details are found to be incorrect.

### After Care

Once the pet has been implanted the area of the shoulders will be sensitive and should not be unnecessarily handled for 10 to 14 days after the implantation (wearing of a collar is allowed).

Please do not try to find the microchip as this will upset the healing process.

A small amount of bleeding immediately after the implantation is possible, if this occurs, the implanter will deal with this before the pet is returned to you. If however your pet should start bleeding after the implantation slight pressure to the source of the bleed will normally stop the flow, if it does not stop after a few minutes then the pet may need to visit a vet (this would be a very rare occasion).

A slight swelling may appear in the area, which will dissipate within a few days.

Any other adverse reaction to an implantation of a microchip is very rare but should you become aware of any, you should contact your own vets.

### Registration

The implanter will register the microchip against the keeper's details you have supplied on the registration form and you will receive a certificate confirming registration within 10-21 days.

It is important that you check the details on the certificate immediately and advise the database of any errors which will then be corrected.

Once received you, as the registered keepers of the animal, are fully responsible under the legislation for keeping the details up to date.

The cost of the initial registration will be included in the fee you have paid to have the pet implanted. Charges will be made by the database for any future amendments to the details or changes of ownership.