

What to do when you find a stray animal.

The Humane Society can not take in all stray animals.

We are not Animal Control and we have limited space. Taking in strays would tie up all of our space with animals that have to be held for a required minimum of days.

If you are willing to notify Animal Control and hold or board the animal for the required amount of days, we can try to help place the animal. We may be able to take the animal at that time if it is adoptable and we have space. Sometimes we send animals to other animal welfare groups such as breed rescues. We need good photos, description & contact information.

You must call Animal Control at (540)483-7440.

The Franklin County Animal Control Shelter is located 4 miles south of Rocky Mount on the north side of Route 220 next to the landfill & Larc Field.

If the animal appears to be sick or injured you should call Animal Control rather than handle the animal yourself. Sick or injured animals can become unpredictable from fear and pain.

Please be prepared to give a full description of the animal:

Include breed, color, and sex and the location where the animal has been found.

If you would like to help find the lost animal's owner, you can also take the following steps:

- Post flyers with information about the animal and how to contact you or Animal Control.
- Put an ad in newspapers.
- Call local veterinary clinics.

In Virginia, **animals without identification will be held for a minimum of 5 days** and **animals with identification will be held a minimum of 10 days**. If the owner does not reclaim the animal within the applicable time period, the animal will be evaluated for adoptability and, space permitting, put up for adoption. Please realize that while the Animal Control Shelter does its very best to find the lost animal's owners or a new adoptive family, they may not be able to find a new home for the pet, and there is a chance the animal will be euthanized.

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