

Indore loves its pets almost as much as it loves staying No. 1 in cleanliness – and the city now expects pet parents to be just as disciplined as the municipality. If you live in Indore and have a dog, registration with the Indore Municipal Corporation (IMC) is **mandatory**, not optional.

Below is a clear, practical guide on how to register your pet dog in Indore.

1. Why you must register your dog in Indore

Legal requirement

- Dog registration in Indore is governed by the **Indore Municipal Corporation (IMC)**. The IMC is the authority that frames and enforces rules for pet ownership, including registration, vaccination and penalties for non-compliance.
- Recent legal guides confirm that **registration is compulsory** under IMC regulations, and that failure to register can attract fines.

Public health and dog-bite concerns

- Indore has seen a **high number of dog-bite cases**, with thousands of people reportedly taking treatment for dog bites every month in local hospitals and clinics.
- Mandatory registration, along with vaccination and sterilisation, is being pushed specifically to:
 - Ensure **rabies vaccination** and basic health checks for pet dogs.
 - Prevent pets from being abandoned and turning into strays.
 - Make it easier to trace owners when pets cause nuisance or bites.

Benefits for you as a pet parent

- **Legal proof of ownership** (helpful if your pet is lost or there's a dispute). ([ezyLegal](#))
- Easier **reunification** if your dog goes missing – the IMC registry and your dog's badge number help your pet get back home faster. ([ezyLegal](#))
- Demonstrates **responsible pet parenting**, which matters more and more in gated communities, RWAs and housing societies.

2. Is there an online registration system in Indore?

As of the latest available information:

- IMC runs several online services (taxes, certificates, etc.) through its own portal and the MP e-Nagar Palika system.
- However, **there is currently no dedicated, public-facing online dog registration portal for Indore**. Pet registration is still largely handled through **offline, in-person processes** via government veterinary clinics and IMC offices.

So for now, **assume you will have to register your dog offline** (clinic + IMC office), even if some agents or service providers help you “online” by doing the legwork on your behalf.

3. Rules for pet dog registration in Indore

According to recent legal explainers on Indore:

1. Age limit

- There is effectively **no upper age limit** to register a dog. You can register adult or senior dogs.
- Practically, registration is done once the pup is old enough to complete its first **anti-rabies vaccination (around 3 months)**, in line with general Indian pet registration norms.

2. Vaccination & health

- **Rabies vaccination is compulsory** for registration. You must show a valid vaccination certificate from a registered veterinarian.
- Other core vaccines (like distemper, parvo, etc.) are strongly recommended and often recorded in the health card.
- IMC can insist that dogs are **healthy, free from contagious diseases** and properly cared for.

3. Microchipping (possible requirement)

- IMC may ask for certain dogs (for example, specific breeds or repeat offenders in nuisance complaints) to be **microchipped** for easier identification.

4. Behaviour & nuisance rules

- Registered or not, your dog should **not create a public nuisance** – excessive barking, aggression in public spaces, or roaming unsupervised can invite complaints.
- Owners are expected to **keep their dog under control**, use a leash in public, and clean up after their pet.

5. Breed-specific guidelines

- For certain breeds considered “dangerous” or high-risk, IMC may have tighter rules on ownership, movement, and identification (for example, mandatory muzzle in public, microchip, or additional declarations).

4. Documents you need to register your dog in Indore

Legal guides on Indore and broader Indian practice list a fairly standard set of documents for municipal pet licensing:

1. **Rabies vaccination certificate (mandatory)**
 - Issued by a registered veterinarian.
 - Should show date of vaccination, batch number, and validity.
2. **Other vaccination / health records**
 - A **health card** or treatment records showing other vaccinations, deworming and any major procedures.
3. **Owner's identity proof**
 - Aadhaar card, passport, voter ID or other government-issued photo ID.
4. **Proof of address in Indore**
 - Recent electricity / water bill, property tax receipt, or a rent agreement, matching (as far as possible) the address where the dog lives.
5. **Dog's photographs**
 - Clear, recent photos of your dog – usually 1–2 passport-style side/front photos for the file.
6. **Sterilisation certificate (if applicable)**
 - Many Indian cities either require or strongly encourage sterilisation for adult dogs; Indore may ask for a certificate especially if there are complaints or for certain breeds.
7. **Any apartment / society NOC (if they insist)**
 - Not a legal requirement under IMC rules by default, but many gated communities in big cities ask for an NOC or pet policy compliance; having it ready helps avoid friction.

5. Step-by-step: How to register your dog in Indore (offline process)

Based on the 2025 Indore-specific guides and general Indian practice, here's what the **typical IMC dog registration process** looks like:

Step 1 – Get your dog fully vaccinated

- Visit a **registered vet** (government or private).
- Complete at least the **anti-rabies shot** and, ideally, core vaccines as advised by your vet.
- Ask for a **duly stamped vaccination certificate/health card**.

Tip: For puppies, most vets will start registration formalities only after the first anti-rabies shot (often at ~3 months).

Step 2 – Visit a government veterinary clinic in Indore

- Go to the **nearest government veterinary clinic** or hospital in Indore.
- Tell them you want to **register your dog with the Indore Municipal Corporation**.
- Ask for the **Dog Registration Application Form** (many guides confirm that these forms are available at government vet clinics in Indore). ([ezyLegal](#))

Some private agents/legal platforms also help download or prepare forms, but the official IMC form usually originates from the clinic or IMC office.

Step 3 – Fill in the Dog Registration Application Form

Typical details you'll need to fill:

About the dog

- Name, breed, sex
- Colour/markings
- Age and date of birth (approximate, if adopted)
- Whether sterilised or not
- Vaccination details (dates, vaccine brand, vet's name)

About the owner

- Full name
- Mobile number and email
- Residential address in Indore
- Alternate contact person/number (optional)

Attach photocopies of all relevant documents (ID proof, address proof, vaccination certificate, photos of dog, etc.) with the form.

Step 4 – Submit the form to IMC (directly or via the clinic)

There are generally two practical routes:

1. **Clinic forwards to IMC:**
 - In many cases, government veterinary clinics **collect forms and forward them in bulk to IMC**, especially when they are closely coordinating with the municipal vet department.
2. **You visit the IMC / zonal office yourself:**
 - You can also personally visit the **Indore Municipal Corporation head office or your relevant zonal office** and submit:
 - Filled application form
 - Supporting documents
 - Zonal offices are often more convenient depending on where you stay.

If in doubt, call the IMC helpline / main office and ask which **zone office** handles pet registrations for your area.

Step 5 – Pay the registration fee

- Current guides state that the **annual dog registration fee in Indore is around ₹100 per year**.
- This fee is generally:
 - Payable at the IMC cash counter, **or**
 - Collected at the clinic along with the form (depending on local practice).

Always collect a **receipt** for the fee – it's your proof until the license is issued.

⚠ **Fees can change.** There is an active proposal to hike fines and make enforcement stricter, so always verify the current fee with IMC or the clinic before you pay.

Step 6 – Verification by IMC

After submission:

- IMC verifies your documents, vaccination certificate and details.
- In some cases, IMC staff or a vet may **physically verify** the dog (either at the clinic visit itself or, rarely, through a home visit in case of doubt).

Given Indore's current focus on controlling dog-bite cases and strays, IMC has indicated that enforcement and verification will become stricter over time.

Step 7 – Receive your dog license & badge number

Once approved, IMC issues:

- A **Dog Registration Certificate / License** mentioning:
 - Unique registration or license number
 - Owner's name and address
 - Dog's details
 - Validity period (usually one year)
- Many municipalities also give a **metal/plastic tag or badge** with the license number, to be attached to your dog's collar; the Indore guides state that the dog is allotted a **badge number** upon registration.

Keep both the **certificate and tag safely**; you may need them for:

- Renewals
- Society/landlord proof
- Travel (within city regulations)
- If there's ever a complaint or incident involving your dog

6. Renewal and change of details

1. Annual renewal

- The dog license usually has a **validity of one year**, after which you must renew and may have to show an updated rabies vaccination certificate and pay the annual fee again.

2. Change of address / ownership

- If you shift within Indore, inform the relevant **IMC zone** about your new address.
- If ownership changes (for example, you give the dog to a family member), formally **update the registration records** – this avoids legal confusion later.

3. Lost license or tag

- Visit the IMC office with your ID and old details and apply for a **duplicate license/tag** (process is usually similar to other lost-document duplicates and may involve a small fee).

7. Penalties for not registering your dog in Indore

Recent Indore-specific material mentions:

- A **current fine of about ₹100** for keeping an unregistered dog.
- A proposal to **increase this ten-fold to ₹1,000**, along with stricter enforcement and awareness drives, to push compliance.

Combined with the national trend of making municipal pet licensing stricter (many cities are hiking fines and conducting drives), it's very likely that **Indore will increasingly enforce penalties** for non-registration in the coming years.

Given the low registration numbers compared to the number of pet and stray dogs in the city, IMC has publicly indicated an intention to tighten the system to reduce dog-bite cases and manage the pet population better.

8. Tips for Dog parents

1. Start early

- As soon as your pup has its first rabies shot, start the registration process so you're not caught in a future enforcement drive.

2. Keep digital copies

- Scan or click clear photos of:
 - Vaccination card
 - License certificate
 - Your ID and address proof
- This is handy for renewals or if you misplace the physical copy.
- 3. **Coordinate with your RWA / society**
 - Many housing societies in big cities have their own rules on pets and may ask for **proof of municipal registration and vaccination**. Registering early saves arguments later.
- 4. **Watch for changes in rules**
 - Since fines and enforcement are under active review, it's wise to **check IMC's website or call their helpline** once a year to confirm if:
 - Fees have changed
 - Any new documents or conditions (like mandatory sterilisation or microchipping) have been introduced

9. Quick FAQ

1. Is dog registration mandatory in Indore?

Yes. Legal guides and IMC-linked information confirm that registration with Indore Municipal Corporation is **mandatory** for pet dogs kept within city limits.

2. What is the current fee?

Most recent guides state **₹100 per year** as the registration fee, but always confirm with IMC or the clinic as this may be revised.

3. Where do I get the form?

From your **nearest government veterinary clinic** or directly from an **IMC / zonal office** dealing with veterinary services.

4. Can I do the entire process online?

As of now, **no dedicated online dog license portal** is visible for Indore. Some private platforms may assist you, but the official process still runs through clinics and IMC offices.

5. What if I don't register?

You risk:

- Monetary fines (currently ₹100, but likely to increase), and
- Possible action if your dog is involved in nuisance or bite incidents.

If you live in Indore, **treat dog registration the way the city treats cleanliness – as non-negotiable.**

Get your dog vaccinated, pick up the form from a government vet clinic or IMC office, submit your documents, pay the fee, and secure that little license and badge that says:
"Yes, this dog – and this human – are responsible citizens of Indore."