

Town of South Hill Police Department

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Chief of Police Stuart Bowen

South Hill Police Department Animal Intake Policy

intake of Stray Dogs

- Call comes into Mecklenburg County 911 Dispatch, South Hill Police Department Dispatch, or directly to the South Hill Animal Control Officer.
- 2. South Hill Animal Control Officer picks up dog.
- 3. Complainant signs call sheet (if complainant is known or available).
- 4. South Hill Animal Control Officer fills out custody sheet.
- 5. South Hill Animal Control Officer transports dog to shelter and releases dog into the custody of Mecklenburg County Animal Control.
- 6. Mecklenburg County Animal Control puts dog in shelter for 12 days if it has a collar and 7 days if it does not have a collar.
- 7. After hold time is up, if the dog is adoptable, Mecklenburg County Animal Control tries to adopt the dog out or find a rescue shelter to take the dog.
- 8. After hold time is up, if the dog is not an adoptable or if the Mecklenburg County Animal Control Officer cannot find someone to adopt the dog or a rescue shelter to take the dog, the Mecklenburg County Animal Control Officer transports the dog to a veterinarian to be euthanized.

Intake of Dogs due to owner surrender

- Call comes into Mecklenburg County 911 Dispatch, South Hill Police Department Dispatch, or directly to the South Hill Animal Control Officer.
- 2. South Hill Animal Control Officer picks up dog.
- 3. South Hill Animal Control Officer fills out custody sheet.
- 4. Owner signs custody sheet.
- 5. South Hill Animal Control Officer transports dog to shelter and releases dog into the custody of Mecklenburg County Animal Control.
- 6. Dog is put in shelter for 4 days.
- After hold time is up, if the dog is adoptable, Mecklenburg County Animal Control tries to adopt the dog out or find a rescue shelter to take the dog.
- 8. After hold time is up, if the dog is not an adoptable or if the Mecklenburg County Animal Control Officer cannot find someone to adopt the dog or a rescue shelter to take the dog, the Mecklenburg County Animal Control Officer transports the dog to a veterinarian to be euthanized.

NOTE: Animal Control Officers do not pick up cats, stray or owner surrender, except in the case of a bite or injured cat.