



CYPRUS POLICE

For a safer community

ANIMAL CONTROL POLICE SECTION

As a pet owner you want to ensure that your pet receives the best care possible. Treat your pets like the valued family members they are. Animals have the right to be loved, to feel protected and safe, and to have food, water, medical care, exercise, recreation and companionship. They depend on us and we have to take care of them like all other members of our family.

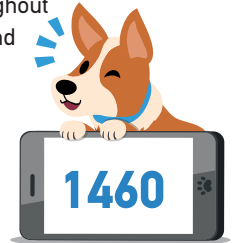
The *Animal Control Police Section* was set up by Cyprus Police, in response to the need to effectively deal with the protection of animals and punish those who abuse and mistreat them. It is manned with members with the necessary specialized training on investigating cases concerning the animal welfare.



The aim is to significantly improve the procedures on investigating cases concerning the animal welfare, but also to strengthen the protection of animals in our country.

Members of the *Animal Control Police Section* exercise their powers throughout the territory of the Republic, have the same rights, the same obligations and duties, and are subject to the same procedures as other members of Cyprus Police. They work together with:

- the Veterinary Services
- the District Animal Welfare Committees
- the Community Police.



To keep animals safe and protect them, it is very important to report any cases of mistreatment or abuse of animals, either by name or anonymously to:

- the Local Police Station
- the Neighborhood Police Officer
- the Citizen's Line – 1460

and/ or to the:	<i>Animal Control Police Section</i>		District Animal Welfare Committees
Nicosia	22802388	lefkosia.animalpolice@police.gov.cy	22805241
Limassol	25805094	lemesos.animalpolice@police.gov.cy	25819512
Larnaca	24804038	larnaca.animalpolice@police.gov.cy	24821275/6
Pafos	26806502	pafos.animalpolice@police.gov.cy	26821260
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Morfou	22607606	morfou.animalpolice@police.gov.cy	-

The *Animal Control Police Section* falls under the Community Policing Program along with:

- the Neighborhood Police Officer
- the Bicycle Patrol Officer
- the Neighborhood Watch Program

BASIC OBLIGATIONS TO ANIMALS according to the Animal Protection and Welfare Act of 1994 (46(I)/1994)

- Animals should always be handled in a way that best suits their physiological and ethological needs.
- A person having under his/her mastery, ownership or keeping any animal, must ensure its health and welfare.
- It is prohibited for any person to expose or subject, without reasonable cause, any animal to pain, distress, injury or fear.
- It is prohibited for any person willfully to administer or supply, or being the owner or keeper to allow the administration or supply, of any poison or other harmful substance, to any animal, or to provoke that such a substance is taken by any animal.

Note: The control of harmful rodents and insects does not fall within the prohibition provided for in this article.



THE WELFARE OF ANIMALS CONCERNS US ALL

Our behavior and treatment of animals reflects our culture. It is our duty to respect and protect them.

