

Sec. 5-47.4. Notification concerning lost, stolen or dead dogs or cats; civil penalty.

If an adopted dog or cat is lost or stolen or dies before the animal is sterilized and before the date by which the dog or cat is required to be sterilized, the new owner shall, within seven (7) days of the animal's disappearance or death, notify the releasing agency of the animal's disappearance or death. If a lost or stolen animal returns or is returned to the new owner, the new owner shall (i) within seven (7) days of the animal's return, notify the releasing agency of the animal's return and (ii) comply with the provisions of this article by the date by which the dog or cat is required to be sterilized or, if the animal returns or is returned after the sterilization due date, within two (2) weeks of the animal's return. Any person who violates this section shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). (Ord. No. 95.9, 9-26-95)

Cross reference – Similar provision, Code of Virginia, § 3.1-796.126:4