

Virginia Animal Control Association Membership Application

I, _____ hereby apply for membership in the Virginia Animal Control Association. If accepted, I will abide by and uphold the aims and purposes of the Virginia Animal Control Association. *Membership (includes NACA membership) is one calendar year; October 31st through October 31st the following year.*
Please Check One:

____ Active (ACOs) \$30 ____ Associate (Kennel staff; interested parties) \$25 ____ Organization \$45

Name _____ Title _____ Jurisdiction _____

Signature _____ Telephone (0) _____ (H) _____

E-mail address _____

Business Address _____ Home Address _____

Please check the address you prefer for billing and publications: Business _____ Home _____

Please bill my agency _____ Please bill me _____ Payment enclosed \$ _____ (Make check payable to VACA)

Mail or FAX completed form to: VACA c/o Patricia Dahl: 362 Jefferson Street, Orange, VA 22960: FAX (540) 661 -0267

For Office Use Only:

RCVD __ CARDS-VACA __ NACA __ NACA REG __ BOOK __ MAIL ADD __ MMBRSHIP PD YES __ NO __

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The
**Virginia
Animal
Control
Association**
www.vacaonline.net

**Proudly Serving
Virginia
Since 1980**

Virginia Animal Control Association (VACA)

Mission Statement



To Advance the Profession of Animal Control By:

- Serving as a resource for the development of quality, standardized training
- Facilitating communication between public and private animal agencies
- Initiating and supporting responsible legislation for the protection of the public and animals
- Providing a united voice for animal care and control professionals throughout Virginia

History of VACA



Formal education of Animal Control Officers (ACOs) was only 2 years old at the time of the 1980 training workshop held in Blacksburg at the Virginia Tech campus. It was here that VACA was founded as a vehicle to foster training for ACO and to enhance their effectiveness as a group of dedicated professionals throughout the state. Many caring people in the animal control and veterinary fields dedicated themselves to improving the quality of animal care and control, as well as insuring that ACOs received ongoing training specifically related to their field. VACA carries on that tradition today.

What Does the Virginia Animal Control Association (VACA) Do for Members?



- Publishes a quarterly newsletter to keep members informed on animal issues, training, changes in State laws, and high profile cases throughout the state
- Hosts schools and workshops, including the annual VACA conference, which provides continuing education credit
- Offers scholarships for schools and training as well as providing information on scholarships available through other agencies
- Provides expertise, resources and referrals to members to assist them in resolving local animal issues with elected officials
- Provides a means for members to network, share and learn from other agencies for the development of local ordinances, policies and procedures
- Hosts a VACA web site at: www.vacaonline.net
- Works to insure that the voices of animal care and control professionals are heard in the General Assembly
- Publishes the Comprehensive Animal Laws in a handy pocket edition each year so that members have up to date codes for easy reference and use



- Awards outstanding performance in the animal care and control fields
- Works with other agencies to promote professional animal control and the protection of animals
- Provides members with membership to the National Animal Control Association (NACA) and a subscription to their quarterly magazine, NACA News



The VACA Board



The Board of Directors is made up of a president, vice president, secretary/treasurer and 8 additional board members. Each member of the Board must be a VACA member in good standing and is elected for a term of 3 years. Board meetings are held quarterly, with the annual meeting and election of new Board members at the annual conference.

Each Board member is assigned a district within the State and is the representative for all members in his or her district. Visit the VACA web site at www.vacaonline.net to learn who is on the Board of Directors and who is the representative for your district.

Membership

Active membership is open to all Virginia Animal Control Officers (ACOs). Associate membership is open to all kennel or shelter staff and any interested party. Organizational memberships are open to agencies.



What Can You Do For VACA?



You can help VACA and your fellow animal care and control professionals by joining today. By getting involved and becoming informed, you strengthen VACA's voice and help to insure an informed and united Animal Control. VACA is composed of individuals who want to make a difference in the lives of animals, in the lives of citizens, and in their profession. There is strength in numbers. You need VACA if you want your voice to be heard. VACA needs you!



How Can I Sign Up?

Fill out the membership application on the reverse side of the brochure and follow the instructions for submission. You will receive your membership cards and law book by return mail. Soon you will begin receiving the VACA newsletter and NACA News. You can download additional membership applications at www.vacaonline.net

