



HOW TO REGISTER YOUR DOG'S MICROCHIP

WITH WHICH SERVICE DO I REGISTER MY DOG'S CHIP?

There are numerous microchip registration sites that will accept any microchip for registration. It is AGA's strong preference that microchips are registered, first and foremost, with the chip's manufacturer. Many vets/shelters will first check with a chip manufacture when a microchip is located in a lost pet. There is no guarantee that a vet/shelter will search multiple registration sites beyond the manufacturer's, especially given how many of them are now out there. PLEASE be sure that you register your microchip with the manufacturer. If you were not told at the time of adoption which manufacturer made your dog's chip, ask us and we'll let you know! You can also search your chip's manufacturer by entering the number an the [AAHA Universal Pet Microchip Lookup](#) website.

DOGS WITH MULTIPLE CHIPS:

In some cases, we have dogs who end up with multiple microchips. Whenever this occurs it is critically important that ALL chips be registered with their respective manufacturers. Most vets/shelters don't continue to scan an animal looking for multiple chips after finding one. Since the vet/shelter will immediately begin searching for contact information connected with the first chip found, we need to ensure that ALL chips are registered as we never know which one of the chips might be the first to register when scanned. AGA realizes there is additional cost to an owner of a dog with multiple chips and makes every effort to inform new owners of cases where multiple chips have been implanted.

PLEASE BE SURE TO LIST AGA AS THE ALTERNATE CONTACT ON YOUR REGISTRATION!

HOMEAGAIN (AGA IMPLANTED)

You have pre-paid your registration fee of \$25 to AGA at the time of adoption. Now you must register the microchip in your name so that HomeAgain has your contract information. Register at <http://public.homeagain.com/> - follow the link to "Register Your Microchip with HomeAgain", enter your email address and complete the short form. Please list AGA as the alternate contact so if you are out of town and cannot be reached, our 24-hour hotline will be notified and we will keep your

dog safe until you return. At the end of the registration process, the amount owed will show \$0.00 as long as the chip has been implanted for less than a year.

CAUTION: HOMEAGAIN does not validate chip numbers and will register ANY chip number not already in their database. Be sure to double check your chip number before registering!

HOMEAGAIN CHIP (non-AGA)

The ADOPTER does not pay a registration fee to AGA and instead pays a registration or transfer fee directly to HomeAgain as necessary. If the Dog has a previously unregistered non-AGA HomeAgain chip, registration can be done online as described in the paragraph above, but may be subject to a fee. Fees may be waived if initial registration is done by phone and proof of adoption from our rescue is provided (i.e. copy of signed adoption contract). If the Dog has a previously registered chip, the ADOPTER will need to obtain and complete a Primary Contact Transfer Form (you can get this form from AGA) and submit it along with a copy of the adoption contract to HomeAgain via fax, email or snail mail. Please list AGA as the alternate contact. Fees are typically waived when the transfer form is accompanied by an adoption contract from a rescue such as AGA.

CAUTION: HomeAgain does not validate chip numbers and will register ANY chip number not already in their database. Be sure to double check your chip number before registering!

AVID CHIPS

First attempt to register the chip by going to www.avidid.com and selecting "Enroll My Pet" from the PETtrac Enrollment section at the top right of the page. If the chip is already registered, you will be notified and will need to complete a transfer of pet ownership form on the same website instead. The cost for lifetime enrollment is \$19.95 payable to AVID. Adopt a Golden Atlanta must be listed as an alternate point of contact or as the "shelter". In some cases, chip companies will waive fees for updates on dogs adopted through a rescue organization such as AGA - be sure to inquire.

24 Pet Watch Chip

First attempt to register the chip by going to https://www.24petwatch.com/US/lost_pet/ and selecting "Register Your Pet". If the chip is not already registered, you may complete the registration online - registration is at no charge for adopted dogs. If your chip is already registered, you will need to download a [Change of Dog Ownership Form](#) from 24 Pet Watch, complete it and send it in with a copy of your adoption contract. 24 Pet Watch will waive the change fee if you provide evidence of adoption!

AKC Chip

Register at <http://www.akcreunite.org/> - the fee is \$17.50. Adopt a Golden Atlanta must be listed as alternate point of contact. Some chi registries will waive fees for registrations or change of ownership on dogs adopted through a rescue organization such as AGA - be sure to inquire!

There are NUMEROUS chip manufacturers! Those listed above are the ones we encounter most often. If you need any assistance ensuring you register your dog with the correct chip manufacturer, please inquire!