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# Chip My Dog



The law is changing - all dogs

**MUST** be microchipped\* !

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While this normally costs £15-£20 at a local vets, you can get it done for **FREE** (please donate if you are able to) when you call **0303 003 0000** to book an appointment with the charity **Dogs Trust**.

Microchipping your dog (a tiny implant about the size of a grain of rice) stores your details as its owner on an electronic database, which makes it much easier to reunite you with your pooch should he/she ever get lost.

## How Does Microchipping Work?



1. Scan the pet to verify whether he or she has a microchip that has been previously implanted.



2. Scan the Datamars blister pack to verify that the microchip is functional, and that the ID code matches the accompanying barcode labels.



3. Implant the Datamars microchip, then rescan the pet to verify that the microchip can be localized.



4. Do not forget to complete the pet's registration in a database like PetLink!



5. If the pet is ever lost, hopefully his or her microchip can be scanned, and the owner's information retrieved - allowing the pet to find its way home!

As long as they're at least eight weeks old, you can have dogs of any breed or size microchipped.

If you've no nearby Dogs Trust Centre, or you can't get an appointment, see **ChipMyDog.org** or call **0303 003 0000** for **FREE** microchipping events happening all over the UK.