

Dog Ref: MER SDK02367

We are contracted by some Local Authorities to collect & safeguard stray dogs in accordance and compliance with the applicable legislation



Date Collected: 26/04/2024

Time Collected: 00:35

Council Area: London Borough of Merton

Our service and this published document is dedicated to assist dog owners identify and claim their lost dog.

Location Found: Merton

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**CAN I ADOPT THIS DOG?**

Established rehoming processes are in place for all unclaimed dogs which includes a NON DESTRUCT POLICY. We are, therefore, not able to respond to enquiries from any persons or organisations wishing to adopt or rehome this or any dogs displayed on our website.

**Information about this dog in our care:**

Breed: German Shepherd

Sex: Female

Collar: No

ID: No

Microchip Found: Yes

**Brief Description: (Any distinguishing marks etc. are recorded and details may be required by the claimant)**

Medium size, young adult. Black and Tan.

**Could This be Your Dog? Claiming/Proof of ownership/Local Authority Fees**

Call: 03444 828 300

Phone lines open:

09:00 - 17:00 Monday - Sunday

**If you believe this is your dog, there is a 2 step claim process:****1. PROVE THE DOG IS YOURS**

- **IT IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT TO CORRECTLY MICROCHIP AND TAG YOUR DOG.** Verification of correct microchip details will enable you to be easily reunited with your pet.
- Where a microchip is not found or the registered details do not match those of a claimant, the process is much more complicated and can result in delays. You will be asked to provide proof that you are the legal keeper which may include, recent veterinary registration/bills, a purchase receipt as well as proof of address and recent photographs. Council approval may also be required.

**2. PAY FEES & CHARGES**

- All Local Authorities set fees & charges, which they require the dog owner to pay in full before a dog is released. SDK are required to collect these fees in full on behalf of the Authorities and we have no authority to waive or vary these.

**Important Note**

This service is provided by the above Local Authority in accordance with the appropriate legal legislation and remains under their direct control. To view the dog reclaim fees & charges that they set and/or contact details, these can be found by following this link to their website:

<https://www.merton.gov.uk>

**If you are unable to pay these costs in full, you will need to approach your Local Authority IMMEDIATELY and request assistance, as found dogs are only held for a statutory period of seven clear days before being placed for adoption.**