

IF YOUR DOG GOES MISSING

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ACT QUICKLY!

Report lost dog to Falmouth Animal Control. You can contact the animal control officers at 508-457-2552 or 508-457-2550. If unable to be reached (off-hours) contact Falmouth Police at 774-255-4527 (or the local police and animal control departments where dog went missing).

Contact Friends of Falmouth Dogs (FFD) at 508-548-7742 and/or info@friendsoffalmouthdogs.org. FFD will share the information with 50+ volunteers.

Be prepared to provide information, including:

- owner contact information—name, address and phone number(s)
- name and description of dog—breed, age, size, color/markings, sex, spayed or neutered, temperament, tags/microchip, color of collar/leash
- time and location of where dog went missing
- photo (can be e-mailed)

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Use SOCIAL MEDIA. It will be your best friend!

Put it on your Facebook page (include picture) and ask all your friends/family to share.

Post information on Facebook @ Cape Cod Missing Pets and Massachusetts Missing Pets.

Make flyers with a photo, dog's description and name, and owner contact info, and area where dog was last seen. Ask that all sightings be reported.

Put flyers in protective plastic (can use Ziploc bags).

Post them:

- on telephone poles near the area where dog went missing
- at nearby dog parks, animal hospitals, shelters, police department, groomers, pet stores, etc.

Leave a small supply at Friends of Falmouth Dogs office for distribution.

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DON'T GIVE UP!

Search the area where the dog was last seen.

- Bring high value treats with you—cheese, hot dog pieces, etc.
- Leave a crate, a blanket, small amount of food and something with owner's scent (unwashed clothing).
- Check regularly for any signs the dog has returned to that area.

Additional Tips:

- Ask people who are searching to be sure to bring a leash and treats.
- Take another dog with you.
- Don't chase the dog as it may spook him/her and the dog may not return to that area.
- Report sightings to owner, ACO and FFD.

When the dog is found, notify all parties who have been involved.

