

OFFICE OF NAGAR PANCHAYAT NERWA DISTT SHIMLA H.P

No.NP Nerwa/2026-

Dated: 11.05.2026

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section under section 202 read with section 217 of the Himachal Pradesh Municipal Act 1994 and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Nagar Panchayat Nerwa proposes to make the draft **“The Nagar Panchayat Nerwa (Registration and Control of Pet Dogs) Bye Laws 2026”** and as required under section 202 of Himachal Pradesh Municipal Act 1994, the Draft Bye-Laws are hereby published for the information of all the persons likely to be affected thereby; and notice is hereby given that the said Draft Bye-Laws will be taken into consideration, after the expiry of thirty (30) days from the date of their publication in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh, together with any objections/suggestions which may within the aforesaid period be received in respect thereto. The text of the Bye-Laws is available on the Nagar Panchayat’s website i.e. <https://www.np.nerwa.in>.

The objections/suggestions in this behalf should be addressed to the Secretary, Nagar Panchayat Nerwa, Tehsil Nerwa, Distt. Shimla, Himachal Pradesh-171012.

Draft “The Nerwa Nagar Panchayat (Registration and Control of Pet Dogs) Bye Laws 2026”,

1. Short title and Commencement.-

- i.) These Bye-laws may be called "The Nagar Panchayat Nerwa (Registration and Control of Pet Dogs) Bye-laws, 2026."
- ii) These shall come into force from the date of their publication in the official gazette of Himachal Pradesh.

2. Definitions- In these bye-laws, unless the context otherwise quires:

- i. "Act" means the Himachal Pradesh Municipal Council Act, 1994, (section 202(t)).
- ii. “Section” means these action of the Act.
- iii. "Family" means the owner, his/her parents, spouse, sons, daughters, brothers and sisters living in one premises.
- iv. "Owner" means the person who owns a registered/ unregistered dog and includes a person in whose custody, charge or possession a dog is found.
- v. "Pet Dog" means a male or female dog kept by a person within the area of Nagar Panchayat Nerwa and other than stray dogs.
- vi. "Registration Authority" means any officers appointed by the Secretary, Nagar Panchayat Nerwa.

- vii. The words and expressions not defined in these byelaws shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the HP Municipal Council Act, 1994.

3. Procedure for Registration of Dogs:

On and from the date of publication of these bye-laws, registration of Pet Dog(s) (hereinafter mentioned as dog) above the age of three months, kept within the jurisdiction of Nagar Panchayat, Nerwa shall be compulsory. The owner of Dog, on or before the first day of April of every year or within seven days of its arrival, register such dog in a Form as prescribed by the Nagar Panchayat Nerwa (Annexure – A) accompanied by a fee of Rs. 200 per dog as one time registration fees along with two recent photographs of the dog and a copy of vaccination certificate from a Government Veterinary Practitioner or Veterinary Practitioner duly registered with Indian Veterinary Council (IVC) or State Veterinary Council (SVC). Further, an amount of Rs 200 per dog shall be charged as license fees annually. However, a blind person keeping dog and using solely for his/her guidance shall be exempted from the payment of registration fee. On registration, the Registration Authority shall issue a metal token to be attached with the collar to be worn by the dog and in case of loss or destruction of the token; a duplicate token shall be issued to the owner on submission of an application along with a fee of Rs. 300 per token. The registration once made shall remain valid for full lifespan of the dog. In case of death of the dog, the owner of the dog shall immediately inform the Registration Authority. A family may keep maximum of two dogs.

1. Any registered dog found straying at large shall be liable to be seized and kept at a place set for this purpose.

2. Duties and responsibilities of the owners.—

- i. The owner of the pet dog shall be responsible for the controlled breeding, immunization, neutering and licensing in accordance with the provisions of these Bye-Laws.
- ii. Any dog not wearing metal ticket or registration in accordance with clause 3 of these Bye-laws may, if found in any public place be removed and will be liable to be dealt under the orders of the Veterinary Public Health Officer, Nagar Panchayat Nerwa, if not claimed within 7 days by the owner.
- iii. For the purpose of these bye-laws any person in possession or in charge of the dog, during the absence of the real owner within the limits of Nagar Panchayat Nerwa, shall be deemed to be the owner of the dog.
- iv. It shall be mandatory for each owner to carry disposable bags during the time when the

dog is put on NP streets.

- v. The owner of the dog shall not allow the dog to defecate in public places such as residential areas, green belts, parks, streets, roads, road beams and other common places etc. In case the dog defecates at the above specified places, the owner shall arrange to get the excreta of the dog removed from the said place at his own level. No owner shall allow the dog to defecate near the residences of other persons, his/her neighbors to his/her/their annoyance
3. The owner of the registered dog shall keep the dog under his/her control at all times so that it does not intimidate, annoy, hurt or bite any person. The Nagar Panchayat Nerwa shall not be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury caused by a registered dog to any person or to his/her property and sole liability to compensate the victim will remain with the owner of the registered dog.

4. Guidelines for breeders. —

- i. A breeder must be registered with Nagar Panchayat Nerwa. Breeder must maintain full record of the number of pups born/ died from individual bitches. He shall also maintain proper record of pedigree and vaccination.
- ii. Breeder must maintain record of the person buying the pups. He should ensure that the buyer has required knowledge for the upkeep of pups.
- iii. Breeder must pay Rs. 1000/- as one-time registration charges in the treasury of the Nagar Panchayat Nerwa besides Rs. 250/- per dog as annual fees every year. This fee to be paid by the breeding shall be over and above the registration fee/annual license fee provided in 3 above.

5. Guidelines for Dog Care Centre

- i. A dog care Centre must be registered with Nagar Panchayat Nerwa. Owner of dog care centre must maintain full record of the number of dogs. He shall also maintain proper record of pedigree and vaccination.
- ii. No dog care centre is allowed insiders identical houses and flats.
- iii. Owner of dog care centre must pay Rs. 1000/- as one time registration charges in the treasury of the Nagar Panchayat Nerwa besides Rs. 250/- license fee every year.
- iv. Owner of dog care centre must obtain no objection certificate from the concerned ward councilor.

v. Permission to operate dog care centre shall be subject to approval of Nagar Panchayat Nerwa .

6. The owner of the registered dog shall ensure proper space, accommodation, food and medical treatment to the dog.
7. The Registration Authority or an officer/official authorize by him shall keep the details of all the seized dogs duly entered in a register with a brief description of the dog, date of seizure, reasons of seizure and the manner in which it is disposed of.
8. The dog after its death shall not be thrown in the open or in the garbage bins of Nagar Panchayat Nerwa . Dead dog shall be buried at notified/earmarked places up to a depth of at least 3 ft. in a hygienic manner. The Nagar Panchayat Nerwa may provide a van for the disposal/burial of dead dogs in the earmarked dog burial grounds on the request so received by it. The owner shall pay charges for availing the services of the van at the rates prescribed by the Secretary, Nagar Panchayat Nerwa and so revised from time to time.
9. The Registration Authority or a Veterinarian, Health Supervisor, Chief Sanitary Inspector, Sanitary Inspector/Supervisor or any other officer of the Nagar Panchayat Nerwa authorized by the Registration Authority, may inspect the premises of the owner of any dog and such owner shall allow that person to enter and inspect his/her premises at all reasonable times. Such officer/official shall also be authorized to search the places where dogs are kept without registration and to seize them.

10. Penalty.—

Any contravention of these Bye-Laws including the failure to register the dog, failure to follow guidelines for breeders, guidelines for dog care centre as per clause 3, 7, 8 above, shall be punishable with fine which may extend to Rs.5,000/- and in case of continuous breach additional fine which may extend to Rs. 100/- per day till such contravention or breach continues shall be imposed.

Note:- Citizens, breeders, or suppliers shall not keep, adopt, sell, or supply any breed of dogs banned by the Government of India or the State Government. In case of violation, a penalty of Rs. 5,000/- shall be imposed. Further, any injury or damage caused by such pet animals shall be the sole responsibility of the pet owner.

Secretary
Nagar Panchayat Nerwa

Annexure–A

To

**The Registration Authority,
Nagar Panchayat Nerwa, Distt.
Shimla, (H.P.)**

Attach two
passport size
Photograph
of Pet Dog

Subject: Application for Registration of Pet Dog.

Sir,

This is to request you that I am keeping a Pet Dog in my house situated in Ward
No.

Nagar Panchayat Nerwa. The particulars of my Pet Dog are as under:-

1. Name of Pet Dog : _____
2. Breed : _____
3. Color and Identification of Mark : _____
4. Age : _____
5. Immunization Record : _____
6. Name and address of the Veterinary Doctor : _____
7. Veterinary Council Registration No. : _____
8. Anti Rabies Vaccination done on : _____
9. Signature of the Veterinary Doctor : _____
10. I here by deposit Rs. 200/-in cash, with there quest to register my pet in Nagar
Panchayat Nerwa records.

Dated: _____

(Signature of the Applicant)

Name:

Address:

Contact No.:

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Receipt No. _____ Date: _____

Badge Number allotted to pet Dog: _____

Signature of Issuing Officer

Annexure-B

Undertaking from the owner of the Dog for registration

1. I do not have more than two dogs.
2. I shall keep the dog protected by getting it vaccinated against rabies from a Govt. Veterinary Practitioner or Veterinary Practitioner duly registered with Indian Veterinary Council (IVC) or State Veterinary Council (SVC)
3. I will furnish the vaccination certificate on demand during Inspection by Registration Authority or any officer/official of the Nagar Panchayat Nerwa duly authorized by the Registration Authority or within a period of 10 days from such Inspection, failing which registration of the dog may be cancelled.
4. I will keep the dog chained/leashed while taking it outside. All ferocious dogs shall be duly muzzled and a stick shall be carried by the Escort accompanying the dog while taking it out.
5. I will ensure that the dog will wear a collar affixed with the metal token issued by the Registration Authority at all the times.
6. I will compensate the person if a dog bites or causes/harm to any person or to the property of any person.
7. I shall keep the dog under my control all the times, so that it does not intimidate, annoy, hurt or bite any person. I shall not make Nagar Panchayat Nerwa responsible for any loss, damage or Injury caused by a registered dog to any person or to his/her property and sole liability to compensate the victim will remain with me.
8. I shall not indulge in breeding of dogs for commercial purposes and trading of dogs within the area of Nagar Panchayat Nerwa. In case it is found that dog is being kept for breeding or trading/commercial purposes by me, the Registration Authority shall impound my dog/s besides imposing a fine as fixed by the Secretary Nagar Panchayat Nerwa upon me.
9. I shall not allow the dog to defecate in public places such as residential areas, green belts, parks, streets, roads, road beams and other common places etc. In case the dog defecates at the above specified places, I shall arrange to get the excreta of the dog removed from the said place at my own level. I shall not allow the dog to defecate near the residences of other persons, neighbors to their annoyance..
10. I shall ensure proper space, accommodation, food and medical treatment to the dog.
11. I shall allow the registration authority or a Veterinarian, Health Supervisor, Chief Sanitary Inspector, Sanitary Inspector/Supervisor or any other officer of the Nagar Panchayat Nerwa authorized by the Registration Authority to inspect the premises of my dog and I shall allow that person to enter and inspect my premises at all reasonable times

Signature of the Owner of the Pet Dog

Annexure–C

To

**The Registration Authority,
Nagar Panchayat Nerwa (H.P.)**

Attach two
passport size
Photograph of
Applicant

Subject: Application for Registrations Dog Breeder.

Sir,

This is to request you that I want to register as Dog Breeder in NP Nerwa. The Particulars of the dog are as under:-

1. Name of Dog Breeder : _____
2. Size and Layout of premises : _____
Along with detail of surface, floor, number of
physical barriers (Doors or gates) etc.
3. Detail of staff along with qualification/ experience: _____
4. Detail of Dogs : _____
5. Immunization record : _____
6. Capacity of premises : _____
7. Name and address of the Veterinary Doctor : _____
8. Veterinary Council Registration No. : _____
9. Anti Rabies Vaccination done on : _____
10. Signature of the Veterinary Doctor : _____
11. I hereby deposit Rs. 1000/-in cash, with their quest to register as Dog Breeder in Nagar Panchayat Nerwa records.
12. I hereby undertake to follow all guidelines mentioned in “The Nagar Panchayat Nerwa (Registration and Control of Pet Dogs) Bye-Laws, 2022”.

Dated: _____

(Signature of the Applicant)

Name:

Address:

Contact No.:

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Receipt No. _____ Date: ____

Number allotted to Dog Breeder: _____

Signature of Issuing Officer

Annexure–D

To

**The Registration
Authority, Nagar
Panchayat Nerwa Distt.
Shimla, (H.P.)**

Attach two
passport size
Photograph
of Applicant

Subject: Application for Registration of Dog Care Centre.

Sir,

This is to request you that I want to register Dog Care Centre namely _____
at Ward No.____Nagar Panchayat_Nerwa. The particulars of Dog Care Centre are as under:-

1. Name of Dog Care Centre : _____
2. Size and Layout of premises along with detail of surface, : _____
floor, number of Physical barriers (Doors or gates) etc.
3. Detail of staff along with qualification/experience : _____
4. Capacity of premises : _____
5. I hereby deposit Rs. 1,000/-in cash, with the request to register Dog Care Centre in
Nagar Panchayat records.
6. I hereby under take to follow all guidelines mentioned in “**Nagar Panchayat Nerwa
(Registration and Control of Pet Dogs) Bye Laws 2026**”

Dated: _____

(Signature of the Applicant)

Name:

Address:

Contact No.:

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Receipt No. _____ Date: _____

Number allotted to Dog Care Centre: _____

Signature of Issuing Officer