

Rabies Alert

Rabid raccoon found in Colts Neck

Township animal control service provider, Associated Humane, responded to a call involving a sick raccoon. The animal was found in the township's Brush and Leaf Collection Zone 4. The animal was captured, tested and confirmed positive for rabies.

Important Reminders:

- **Do not interact with wildlife/feral cats under any circumstance.** If you come across a sick or injured animal, keep your distance and avoid all contact. Call Animal Control at 732-922-0100 immediately or contact the Police Department at 732-780-7323 after hours and on weekends.
- Make sure all domestic animals (dogs, cats, and livestock) are currently vaccinated with a rabies shot. Do not let your pets run free off leash, even in the woods, to ensure they do not come in contact with wildlife that may be rabid.
- Rabies is a fatal disease. The best course of defense is to vaccinate your pets and to not handle or interact with wildlife. If you are bitten or exposed to blood/saliva of an animal, contact your physician immediately. Contact you veterinarian if your pet was exposed to wildlife, ***even if previously vaccinated.***
- All dogs must be licensed in the Township. A license can be obtained from the Township web site or in person at Town Hall located at 1 Veterans Way - Monday thru Friday between 8:00am and 4:00pm.