# LESSON 10: DOCUMENTS, ANIMALS & PROPERTY

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# IDENTITY & OWNERSHIP

Rules don't just protect freedom
— they protect what's yours.

From your ID and passport, to your pets and personal belongings, the law sets limits that keep life fair and ownership clear.

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### DOCUMENTS, PETS & PROPERTY

IDs and passports; opening a bank account; child allowance and support duties; pets, found goods, and what's off-limits

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#### WHY THESE RULES EXIST

How rules prevent fraud and loss, protect owners and bystanders, and set fair duties for keeping animals and using others' property

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Solution

## RIGHTS, DUTIES & RESTRICTIONS

What you can ask for and what you must do: carrying ID, care and control of pets (and liability), keeping found goods legal, and items you may not possess

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#### WHEN HELP IS NEEDED

Lost or stolen documents, dangerous or stray animals, found property, or bank problems — who to contact (police, city hall, vets/animal services, banks)

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#### REVIEW & PRACTICE

Quiz, key concepts, and reflection tasks — review what you've learned and apply it

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# WHAT YOU'LL LEAN IN THIS CHAPTER

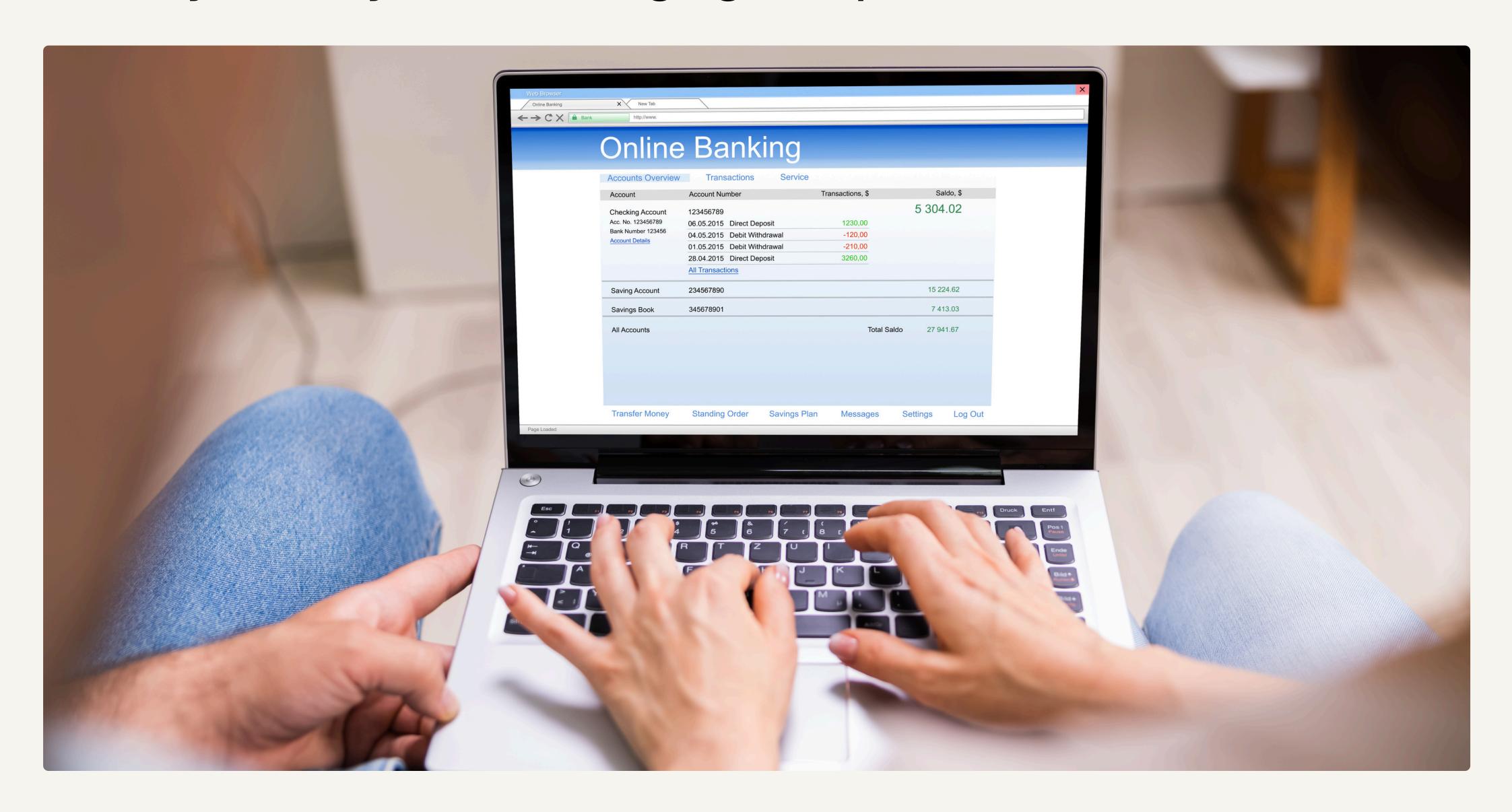
In this chapter, you'll see how rules protect ownership and how responsibility keeps daily life fair. Documents, animals, and belongings are part of our identity — they show who we are, what we own, and what we must care for. Losing or ignoring them can cause legal trouble or harm to others. You'll learn how IDs, passports, and accounts prove who you are, how laws about animals protect both pets and people, and how property rules ensure fairness when buying, finding, or borrowing things.

By the end, you should be able to explain why the law connects rights with duties, how to report loss or damage, and how these everyday rules protect both freedom and trust in society.

# PROTECTED BY RULES

# WHY CLEAR RULES PROTECT IDENTITIES, RIGHTS & BELONGINGS

IDs and passports prove who you are; using someone else's papers is illegal. Bank rules (real ID, PIN secrecy, records) keep money safe; child allowance must serve the child. Pet owners must register/vaccinate, control animals in public, and pay for any damage. Found items aren't yours—return them or hand them in. Some things are off-limits to minors for safety. Clear, shared rules don't shrink freedom; they keep identity, money, and belongings respected.



#### Warm-Up Activity



Write one rule about documents, pets, or property that protects people in real life. Why does it help?

Share your answer with a classmate.

Clear rules protect identity, money, pets — and trust.

# WHY DO WE HAVE RULES?

Around documents, money, animals, and property, clear rules protect everyone: they prevent fraud and loss, set fair duties for owners and finders, and keep public spaces safe and clean. IDs and passports prove who you are; bank rules keep your money secure; pet rules prevent bites and disease; property rules make sure what isn't yours is used with permission and returned. The aim is to protect trust—so people can carry wallets without fear, travel with valid papers, and take a child or a pet into public without harming others.

#### **Personal Documents**



Keep IDs and passports safe; never post numbers online; report loss or theft quickly; travel only with valid papers.



#### Found or Borrowed Things

Finding isn't owning. Try to return items; if the owner's unknown, hand them to lost and found or the police.





Open accounts by legal procedure; guard your PIN; child allowance is for the child's needs.



#### Why it helps

Clear duties reduce theft and scams, protect bystanders from animals, and get lost property back to its owner.

#### **Pets & Owners**



Register and vaccinate pets; leash and, where required, muzzle; clean up after them; owners pay for any damage or injury.



#### Fair Use, Clear Duty

Ownership means consent and care. Without consent, it's misuse. If you use something, you return, repair, or pay for damage.

#### **Imagine and Reflect**

Imagine one day with no rules for documents, pets, or property. What would happen to lost phones, stray dogs, or bank cards? Write 2–3 sentences on likely problems and how one rule would prevent them.

# RULES ABOUT ID, MONEY, ANIMALS & PROPERTY

Holders



#### **Personal Documents**

- ID & Passports who can get them, how they're issued, and when you must carry them.
- Civil status & population records offices issue IDs; passport services issue travel documents.

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#### **Money & Benefits**

- Banks open accounts only with real ID; keep your PIN and credentials secret.
- Child allowance belongs to the child; parents/guardians must use it for the child's needs.
- Survivor's pension: paid under court/administrative decisions; proof is required.

Spectors



#### **Animals & Responsibility**

- Pet owners must register/microchip where required, vaccinate, control in public.
- Owners pay for any damage or injury caused by their animals; cruelty is prohibited.

Inforcers



#### Who Checks & Enforces

- Police / Local police ID checks, lost-property reports, restricted items, fines.
- City hall & social services issue IDs/benefits;
   verify eligibility and misuse.

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#### Mini-Glossary

- Found property = a duty to return or hand in; keeping it can be an offense.
- Liability = legal duty to repair harm (e.g., damage caused by pets).
- Restricted items = goods minors may not possess

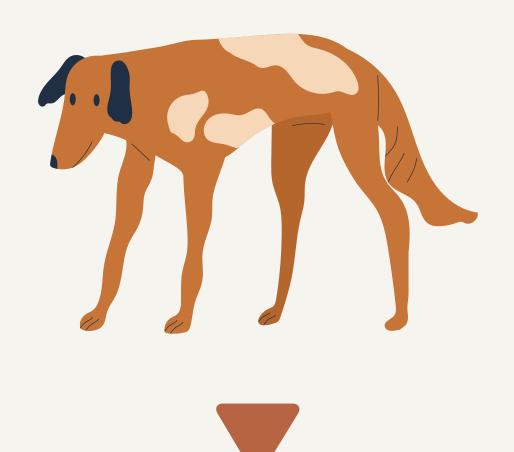
# WHEN HELP IS NEEDED

When IDs are lost or stolen, a pet injures or frightens someone, or you find a phone or wallet, the law gives clear steps. Contact the right service — 112 for danger, police for theft or found items, city hall/animal services or a vet for strays or aggressive pets, and your bank for misused cards — and keep basic evidence (time, place, photos). Following procedure protects owners, finders, and bystanders and helps you avoid liability.



#### LOST OR STOLEN DOCUMENTS

If your ID or passport is lost or stolen, report it immediately to the police or city hall to block misuse. Temporary papers can be issued until new ones arrive. Never post ID photos online.



#### DANGEROUS OR STRAY ANIMALS

Call the veterinary service or local council to catch stray or dangerous animals. Pet owners must cover medical or repair costs for injuries or damage their animals cause.



#### FOUND OR MISPLACED ITEMS

Keeping found property is not a reward — it's against the law. Hand items in to lost and found offices or the police; you may receive a certificate proving your good-faith action.



#### BANK OR BENEFIT PROBLEMS

If money is missing, contact your bank (for blocked cards, online fraud, or lost PINs) or social services (for unpaid child allowance or support). Only written evidence counts.

#### HOW TO REACT WHEN TROUBLE HAPPENS

# FROM PROBLEM TO SOLUTION

#### Notice the problem

Realize that a rule has been broken or something valuable is missing — an ID, a pet, a wallet, or a bank card.



#### **Report and Record**

Contact the right authority: police for documents or theft, vets for animals, banks for money loss. Write down when, where, and how it happened.



#### **Verify and Replace**

Authorities check your identity, block old documents, and issue replacements. Pet owners or finders get confirmation papers showing what they did.



#### Repair or Return

If you found something or your pet caused harm, the law expects repair or restitution



#### **Record Closure**

Once the case is solved — item returned, fine paid, or card replaced — the file is archived.



### So what for me?

Knowing whom to call saves time, money, and stress. Each rule connects to a real person's safety — yours, your neighbor's, or your pet's. If everyone reports and returns properly, society runs on trust, not chaos.

Try it: Imagine your friend loses an ID or finds a wallet. Who should they contact first? What could go wrong if they keep it or post it online?

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Check what you've learned about how laws handle documents, pets and property. Read each question carefully and choose the correct answer.



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  - b) Report the loss to the police immediately
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  - a) To help banks trace the card owner
  - b) Because keeping it could be theft
  - c) So you can claim a finder's reward
- 3 Who is responsible if your dog injures someone?
  - a) The victim, for provoking the dog
  - b) The local authorities
  - c) The owner or caretaker
- 4 What's the main reason for issuing replacement documents?
  - a) To update the government database
  - b) To prevent misuse of the old ones
  - c) To refresh your personal data
- 5 What should you always do after filing a report?
  - a) Keep a written copy or receipt
  - b) Delete the photos or notes taken
  - c) Tell your friends about it online

- 6 A friend finds a phone on the street and keeps it. What legal rule applies?
  - a) "Finders keepers" no rule applies
  - b) It's considered theft if not reported
  - c) It's fine as long as the SIM card is removed
- 7 What can protect you in case of dispute about a lost pet?
  - a) An emotional testimony
  - b) A vaccination and registration record
  - c) Witness statements from friends
- 8 Why does the law treat found objects and pets similarly?
  - a) Both can belong to someone else
  - b) Both must be insured by law
  - c) Both are public goods
- **9** What's the purpose of official records in these situations?
  - a) To make people feel safe
  - b) To create paper bureaucracy
  - c) To prove that actions were lawful
- 10 Which sentence best summarizes the lesson?
  - a) Every loss or damage has a legal path to follow
  - b) The law can't protect personal mistakes
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## **ANSWER KEY**



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# KEY CONCEPTS FROM LESSON 10

# **LOSS REPORT**

Official notice that a document or object is missing — protects against misuse or fraud.

## RESPONSIBILITY

You answer for the harm caused by your actions or by those under your care (including pets).

## RESTITUTION

Returning what isn't yours or paying for the damage done — the legal way to "make things right."

## DOCUMENT REPLACEMENT

Procedure for blocking old IDs, issuing new ones, and recording the event officially.

## OWNERSHIP PROOF

Papers, receipts or tags that show a thing, animal, or account belongs to you.

## OFFICIAL RECORD

Written evidence (police report, certificate, file) confirming what was reported or solved.

## CUSTODY

Temporary keeping of property or animals by an authority until rightful ownership is proven.

#### LIABILITY

Legal duty to repair the damage you caused — directly or through negligence.

## FOUND PROPERTY RULE

Whoever finds an object must return it or report it; otherwise, it becomes a legal offence.

## ORDER & FAIRNESS

Law ensures every situation — loss, damage, recovery — ends clearly and fairly for everyone.

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