

STOP PUPPY FARMING

Public Submission Form

Please use this form to provide your feedback on the State Government's proposed methods to stop puppy farming in WA. These questions are taken from the consultation paper released by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries on Thursday, 3 May 2018. The paper can be accessed at [the Department's website](#).

The information you provide will be used by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) to inform policy decisions regarding stopping puppy farming in WA. If you need help completing this form, please telephone DLGSC on (08) 6551 8700 or toll free for country callers on 1800 620 511, or email puppyfarming@dlgsc.wa.gov.au.

For a Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) telephone: 13 14 50. To ensure your input is considered, please return your feedback before the consultation period closes at 4pm on **Friday 3 August 2018**.

Your contact details

Title:	Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Enter title here.
First name:	Enter text. TANIA
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Stop Puppy Farming Questions

1. Please indicate if you are any of the following:

- Dog Owner ☒
- Dog Breeder ☐
- Pet Shop Owner ☐
- Pet Business – please specify below ☐
- Local Govt. employee ☐
- Local Govt. elected member ☐
- Shelter organisation employee ☐
- Shelter organisation volunteer ☐
- Rescue group employee ☐
- Rescue group volunteer ☐
- Foster Carer ☐
- Veterinarian ☐
- Other – please specify below ☐

Transitioning Pet Shops to Adoption Centres

2. Would you purchase a behaviour and health checked rescue dog from a pet shop?

[Click here to enter text.]

YES DEFINATELY.

3. What background information would you want on the rescue dog?

[Click here to enter text.]

- TEMPERMENT
- How he gets on with other dogs
- Socialisation
- Approximate Age.

4. Do you think transitioning pet shops to adoption centres is beneficial?

[Click here to enter text.]

Yes, very much so. Will stop many shelter dogs getting euthanased. A great outlet in pet shops to find those dogs a loving home.

5. If you are a pet shop owner or operator, what impact will this have on your business?

[Click here to enter text.]

Mandatory dog de-sexing for non-breeding dogs

6. How do you feel about mandatory dog de-sexing for non-breeding dogs?

[Click here to enter text.]

Yes!
I strongly believe in de-sexing of all dogs. Would stop so many breed and going to shelters.

7. Exemptions from mandatory de-sexing will apply for health and welfare reasons as assessed by a veterinarian, and if the dog owner is a registered breeder. Are there any other reasons why a dog should be exempt from being de-sexed?

[Click here to enter text.]

No other reasons.

All dogs should be de-sexed

8. Should mandatory dog de-sexing apply to all dogs, including existing dogs, or just dogs born after a particular date?

[Click here to enter text.]

All dogs including existing dogs.

Centralised Registration System

9. How will a centralised registration system benefit you?

[Click here to enter text.]

Tracking of Dogs when lost/stolen.

10. Do you think it is reasonable to increase dog registration fees for dogs that are not de-sexed to encourage de-sexing?

Yes ☒

definitely

Unsure ☐

No ☐

11. Do you support increasing dog registration fees to fund a streamlined centralised registration system and to fund enforcement activities?

[Click here to enter text.]

Yes I support this increase.

12. Do you think it is reasonable for dog breeders to pay an annual registration fee to cover the cost of monitoring and enforcing dog breeder compliance?

[Click here to enter text.]

Yes I think it is reasonable for that

13. Are there any other benefits, costs and/or issues associated with breeder registration that are not captured in this table? Please detail.

[Click here to enter text.]

No

14. Should there be any restrictions on who can register as a dog breeder? If so, what should these be?

[Click here to enter text.]

- Maximum number of puppies
per breeder

15. Do you think local government is best placed to enforce dog breeder registration? Why, or why not?

[Click here to enter text.]

Yes. - the Council
are out there in the community
& can educate & enforce
registrations

Mandatory Standards for Dog Breeding, Housing, Husbandry, Transport and Sale

16. Should people who breed dogs have to comply with minimum standards for the health and welfare of their dogs?

Yes ☒

Definitely

Unsure ☐

No ☐

17. Should there be any restrictions on who can register as a dog breeder? If so, what should these be?

[Click here to enter text.]

- Must have a police clearance
- Must not be on a list of convicted Animal Abusers.

18. Should the number of litters that a bitch can produce be restricted by law?

Yes ☒

Definitely - only one litter per dog

Unsure ☐

No ☐

19. Should people who breed dogs for commercial gain be required to meet additional Mandatory Dog Breeding Standards?

yes they should.

20. If you said 'yes' to question 19, should this be based on:

a) keeping a defined number of breeding dogs?

b) if so, what number?

c) any other criteria?

2 only per breeder -

Must meet minimum standards of housing, health checks etc.

Please provide reasons:

[Click here to enter text.]

- Kennels inspected & clean
- Exercise Area
- Evidence of vet checks & Vaccinations
- Health & Welfare Standards

* Attach further documentation if required.

Confidentiality

Your submission will be made public and published in full on the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries website unless you ask for it to be confidential. Submissions that contain defamatory or offensive material will not be published.

Do you wish this information to remain private and confidential: Yes ☐ No ☒

Signature:

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Date:

1/8/18

Please return this form to:

Please return submissions by 4pm on Friday 3 August 2018

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