

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?

Possibly, esp a small dog or puppy. Latent aggression is difficult to reliably screen for so larger dogs could be dangerous. Also, many have not had a good foundation in early puppyhood of thorough socialization, potty training etc and require hands-on behavioural rehabilitation by their new owners.

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

The honest reason(s) why it was surrendered by the previous owner.

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

It's a good idea to get these dogs into the public eye, but I don't think it's fair on pet shops to force them to do it. It's also not fair on owners to deny them the choice of buying a breeder bred puppy. But since pet shop puppies rarely come with background information (e.g. is it inbred? Was it family reared?) then they aren't necessarily a better choice for owners anyway.

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

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