

## 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](mailto: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**

**Mrs**

**Ms**

**Other**  **Enter title here.**

First name: Daniela

Enter text.

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Enter text.

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Enter text.

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Enter number.

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Enter number.

Email address: [REDACTED]

Enter text.

### Stop Puppy Farming Questions

- Please indicate if you are any of the following:

- Dog Owner yes
- Dog Breeder no
- Pet Shop Owner no
- Pet Business – please specify below no
- Local Govt. employee no
- Local Govt. elected member no
- Shelter organisation employee no
- Shelter organisation volunteer no
- Rescue group employee no
- Rescue group volunteer no
- Foster Carer no
- Veterinarian no
- Other – please specify below

## Transitioning Pet Shops to Adoption Centres

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

yes. I only take rescues. I would still rather go to a shelter. But definitely if a pet shop must have dogs then they need to be rescues!

- What background information would you want on the rescue dog?

As much as possible. Accurate age. How many owners. History. Reason for surrender, although people lie.

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

either that or no sale of dogs in pet shops at all

- 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

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

It is a must. There are too many on the beach and the park which are not desexed. Shelters are full. In the country they get shot. Breeding needs to be reduced

- 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?

can't think of one

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

Maybe best from a particular date. I would hate to see an old lady having to give up her companion of many years because her pension does not allow the surgery

## Centralised Registration System

- How will a centralised registration system benefit you?

hmm, that i might receive accurate information about my future adoptions

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

Yes  Unsure  yes it is reasonable

No

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

yes

- 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?

yes. that also includes greyhound owners who breed an unnecessarily large amount of dogs that are not wanted within a short period of time. There should be a limit of litters per year and a limit per life time of a female.

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

there needs to be a task force working on unidentified online sellers. Perhaps also make it illegal to purchase without the accurate numbers and registrations. A dog transfer paper just like with cars?

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

No one on drugs. No users. Have the finances for it? A minimum of 5000.- in the account?

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

[Click here to enter text.]



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

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

Yes  Unsure yes they should

No

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

same question?

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

Yes  Unsure definitely

No

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

yes. And greyhound racing dogs/ breeding should be managed and limited and should also be protected with a minimum standard. An entire industry that needs to be restricted, preferably stopped.

- If you said 'yes' to question 19, should this be based on:
- keeping a defined number of breeding dogs?
- if so, what number?
- any other criteria?

Please provide reasons: a maximum number of breeding dogs so we don't end up with factory farming. 5 dogs is enough I think. Limit the litters for each female.

[Click here to enter text.]

\* 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:

Date:

**Please return this form to:**

**Please return submissions by 4pm on Friday 3 August 2018**

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