



Dogs West Member Submission on
STOP PUPPY FARMING



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Prefix or Member #	[REDACTED]
Breed(s)	Labrador Retriever
Phone Number	[REDACTED]
Years involved	20
Family involved?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>My thoughts on:</i> Transition pet shops to adoption centres (can only sell dogs sourced from rescues).	I agree, they won't be purchasing from puppy farms to make large profits & encouraging the puppy farmers to keep breeding. They won't be charging astronomical prices for so called 'designer breeds' (mongrels)
<i>My thoughts on:</i> Introduce mandatory dog de-sexing.	I disagree because as an ANKC registered breeder, I don't believe all dogs should be de-sexed. Especially de-sexing at a very young age. This causes major problems with growth & development of the dogs.
<i>My thoughts on:</i> Introduce a centralised registration system and Council registration to be a Breeder.	I disagree, all registered breeders are listed with their stage body & ANKC. I think this is just another way for the government to make money.
<i>My thoughts on:</i> Introduce mandatory standards for dog breeding, housing, husbandry, transport and sale.	I agree up to a point but saying things like the dog & pups should be on concrete & not allowed in the house is ludicrous. We have very hot summers and having a mother & young pups outside in the hot weather can result in heat stress for the mother & loss of life for the pups. I always raise my newborns in the house where they have access to heat in the winter & air conditioning in the summer. When the pups are around 4 weeks old they are moved outside onto an undercover patio next to the house. I agree that conditions where pups are whelped and raised should be clean and weather proof so ensure the health of both mother & pups.



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