

Stop Puppy Farming consultation WA Rangers Conference 2024



Department of
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Stop Puppy Farming - Update for rangers and local government staff

New laws and changes to the Dog Act 1976

The *Dog Amendment (Stop Puppy Farming) Act 2021* (SPF Act) was passed by the Parliament of Western Australia in December 2021.

Although changes to the *Dog Act 1976* (Dog Act) and *Cat Act 2011* (Cat Act) have now passed through Parliament, many of the provisions require further work, in consultation with stakeholders before they take effect.

This fact sheet outlines the changes to the legislation and whether these changes have commenced.

Further information can be obtained from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries' website at: <https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/local-government/community/cats-and-dogs/stop-puppy-farming>

Thursday 29 Aug 2024, 09:30 - 10:45

First Session - Government Departments DLGSC & DPIRD specialty teams collaborative updates and questions



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Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, Central Animal Registration Team

A significant milestone has been reached for the Cook Government's Stop Puppy Farming reforms, with a \$9.8 million contract awarded to Seisma Group to establish an online centralised registration system for dogs and cats.

PetsWA will replace all dog and cat registers currently managed by every local government, and will be used by pet owners, local governments, rangers and rescue organisations

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It will enable local governments to identify cases of puppy farming through improved visibility of pet registrations and transfers, and breeders across Western Australia.

Importantly, historical registration data will be migrated from 139 local governments during the development phase of PetsWA, to enable a seamless registration experience for users.”

Jaynie Kirkpatrick
DLGSC - Principal Project Manager
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Subject – Announcements on Dog and Cat Central Animal Registration

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, Policy and Legislation

“Regulations are being drafted to enact the Stop Puppy Farming reforms, which introduces mandatory registration of dog breeders, transitions pet shops to adoption centres, and mandatory sterilisation of dogs, from two years, unless exempt or already registered.”

Collaboratively, **Joanne Hender DLGSC & Zoe Martin DPIRD** will discuss enforcement authorised officer, inspectors and rangers stopping puppy farming, DPIRD regulates RSPCA

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Subject - Legislation update tracking - Dog Regulation changes

Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, Animal Welfare Regulation

Zoe Martin
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Subject – Animal Welfare Standards, Guidelines, Hoarding & RSPCA

Friday 30 August 2024, 12:45 - 14:00

**Second Session – Dog Act & Regulations Legal Discussion Panel,
including Stop Puppy Farming**

Dog Act/Stop Puppy Farming Cornerstone Legal, Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

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