



Queensland Dog Breeder Register

Supplying dogs in Queensland

Many Queenslanders are concerned about the welfare of dogs and puppies sold and supplied in Queensland, so the Queensland Government has introduced new laws that will promote the responsible breeding of dogs

The laws apply only to dogs born on or after 26 May 2017. Dogs born before this date are not impacted.

The laws require all persons giving away, supplying, selling or advertising dogs or puppies to have a Supply Number that identifies the registered Breeder of that dog.

You are a Breeder if you have a female dog with a litter. Any person who is a Breeder must have a Supply Number.

The laws apply to people who are professional breeders, occasional breeders and to people who are not making money from the dogs or puppies supplied.

The laws apply to accidental or planned litters.

If the puppies are bred by a primary producer to be kept by a primary producer as working dogs, then a Supply Number is not required.

The Supply Number is included in the dog's microchip information. It will identify all dogs or puppies from that Breeder and provides lifetime traceability back to the origin of the dog.

The **Supply Number** can be any one of the following:

- A Breeder Identification Number (BIN) - available online when registering as a Breeder
- A Breeder's membership number provided by a Breeder organisation that accredits dog Breeders, and is approved by the Minister as an "approved entity"
- A Breeder permit number provided by a local government issuing permits/registrations to dog Breeders and approved by the Minister as an "approved entity",
- A unique number that identifies a person as a recognised interstate Breeder and is provided within their State, or
- A Breeder Exemption Number (BEN) – available to certain eligible persons who qualify for a breeder exemption.

You must not give away, supply, sell or advertise a dog or puppy without a Supply Number that identifies the Breeder or provides an Exemption. The Supply Number must be displayed whenever a dog or puppy is advertised for give-away, supply or sale. All suppliers, including pet shops, must display the Supply Number when selling, advertising or otherwise supplying dogs and puppies.



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Can I give away, supply, sell or advertise my dog or puppies if I'm not registered?

No. You must register as a Breeder and include your Supply Number when you give away, supply, sell or advertise a dog to another person.

Can I still sell my puppies online, privately or through a pet shop?

Yes. However it is a breach of the law to give-away, supply, sell or advertise a dog or pup (born on or after 26 May, 2017) without a Supply Number that identifies the origin of the dog.

If you sell a dog or puppy through a pet shop or retailer they must use the Supply Number identifying you as the Breeder.

If someone else gives away, supplies, sells or advertises your dog, that person must use the Supply Number identifying you as the Breeder.

Will pet shops sell my puppies if I'm not registered?

It is illegal for a pet shop to give away, supply, sell or advertise puppies without a Supply Number identifying you as the Breeder.

Is there a penalty if I sell my puppies and I'm not registered?

Yes. There are offences for failing to register as a Breeder if you have a dog with a litter (born on or after 26 May, 2017) and you are giving away, supplying, selling or advertising the puppies.

I am a primary producer breeding working dogs – am I considered a Breeder?

Yes, you are considered a Breeder.

However, you do not need to register as a Breeder if you are supplying working dogs to be kept on rural land for droving, protecting, tending or working stock. If any pups or dogs are to be supplied for any other purpose each dog must have a Breeder Exemption Number from the Queensland Dog Breeder Register.

What if I have a dog I did not breed and I want to give it to another person?

Before this dog is given away, supplied, advertised or sold you must create an account online and apply for a Breeder Exemption Number (BEN).

More Information

For further information please call 13 25 23.