



## Queensland Dog Breeder Register

### Breeding 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 unique identifying number (a Supply Number) that identifies the registered Breeder of that dog.**

The Supply Number must also be included in the dog's microchip information. It will identify all dogs and 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 [breeder id page]
- 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
- 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.

All suppliers, including pet shops, must display the Supply Number showing Breeder (or exemption), when selling, advertising or otherwise supplying dogs and puppies.

#### Who must register?

You are a Breeder if you have a female dog with a litter.

All Breeders must have a Supply Number unless they qualify for an exemption.

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 occasional, accidental or planned litters.

Children under 18 may not register as a Breeder.



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### Who may have a Breeder exemption?

If you qualify for a Breeder exemption you must apply for a Breeder Exemption Number (BEN). The BEN is applicable only if:

- you are a primary producer breeding working dogs who wishes to give away, supply, advertise or sell the dog to a person who:
  - is not a primary producer, *or*
  - is not going to keep the dog as a working dog.

OR

- you are a person who:
  - is the owner of, or responsible person for, the dog; *and*
  - you did not breed the dog; *and*
  - you do not conduct a business activity that includes the supply of dogs.

A different BEN is required for each individual dog or puppy that is given away, supplied, advertised or sold under these circumstances.

To apply for a BEN, you need to have an online account.

### How do I register?

You can register free online, over the phone or request a paper form if you are unable to register online. Registration is a quick and simple process.

### What happens after I register?

When you become registered as a dog Breeder, you will be issued with a unique identifying number which is the Supply Number.

The Supply Number must be included in the microchip details for each dog you breed and be displayed when a dog is given away, supplied, sold or advertised.

Your registration is for 12 months and if you want to continue breeding dogs, you will need to renew your registration annually.

If your registration details change, you must update your registration details within seven days of the changes coming into effect.

### More information

For further information please call 13 25 23.