**Winter 2017**

***New Laws for Dog Breeders***

The Queensland Government have introduced mandatory dog breeder registration from 26 May 2017. Anyone who breeds a dog will have to register as a dog breeder. This includes professional, occasional and accidental breeders. All breeders must have a supply number which is free and can be obtained by registering through the Queensland Dog Breeder Register website at [www.qdbr.daf.qld.gov.au](http://www.qdbr.daf.qld.gov.au/)

A key purpose of this new requirement is to promote the responsible breeding of dogs and puppies in Queensland. Of direct relevance to our clients is that we will be unable to microchip your new puppy or litter of puppies unless we can include a supply number on the microchip paperwork that we send to the Australian Animal Registry (AAR) on your behalf.

There are penalties for those who give away, sell or advertise a dog or puppy without a supply number. Penalties will also apply to anyone who microchips a dog/puppy without a supply number.

However, if someone presents a dog to be microchipped and they:

* do not know the supply number; and
* are unable to locate the breeder; and
* do not intend to supply the dog to another person

a supply number does not need to be recorded in the microchip information. A declaration form will be signed by both the implanter and the owner and must accompany the microchip paperwork sent to the animal registry.

Another exemption is that Primary producers who breed working dogs do not have to register as breeders as long as they supply all puppies to other primary producers as working dogs. Supply numbers can be checked on the Queensland Dog Breeder Register. For more information, visit the Biosecurity Queensland website at [www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au](http://www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au) or call 13 25 23. To confirm a supply number visit the Queensland Dog Breeder Register website at [www.qdbr.daf.qld.gov.au](http://www.qdbr.daf.qld.gov.au)

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