



Dogs West Member Submission on
STOP PUPPY FARMING



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Email address	[REDACTED]
Prefix or Member #	[REDACTED]
Breed(s)	American Staffordshire Terrier
Phone Number	[REDACTED]
Years involved	25
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).	<p>There should be no dogs sold in pet shops.</p> <p>Dogs West breeders should be preferred source of dogs.</p>
<i>My thoughts on:</i> Introduce mandatory dog de-sexing.	<p>Don't support.</p> <p>As all breeds grow and mature both sexually and mentally differently there is not one age that is appropriate to them all. The decision to de-sexi, IF it is to occur, should be made by the owner with advice from their Veterinary Surgeon and their breeder.</p> <p>I will often keep a dog or bitch with me or in the wider community and may not decide until they are 2 years old if they are suitable quality to breed from. To protect our gene pool we as breeders need to be able to keep dogs entire that may not live with us.</p> <p>To be able to compete in my dog sport the dogs must be entire.</p> <p>All Dogs West members should be exempt from this.</p> <p>Also dogs living with non Dogs West members but are part of a Dogs West members breeding program are to be exempted.</p> <p>De-sexing has been proven to have negative effects of a dogs health.</p>
<i>My thoughts on:</i> Introduce a centralised registration system and Council registration to be a Breeder.	<p>All Dogs West members with a prefix (breeding permit) should be exempt as they are already paying for their breeding permit. Dogs West has rules and regulations that the members must follow and Dogs West actively enforces them.</p> <p>If you are going to have to register as a breeder to keep a dog entire (I don't support this) then Dogs West members who don't have a prefix should also be exempt to keep their dogs entire.</p> <p>Who will have access to this register? Will they have to have a valid reason to access it? Who will police this?</p> <p>Other people wanting to breed should follow the rules as Dogs West breeders.</p>



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<p><i>My thoughts on:</i></p> <p>Introduce mandatory standards for dog breeding, housing, husbandry, transport and sale.</p>	<p>Any standards should be developed with strong consultation with stakeholders from the outset. I don't understand why Dogs West was refused this.</p> <p>They should be policed to ensure all dogs are given the right conditions and standards to live in</p>
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