

Dogs West Member Submission on STOP PUPPY FARMING



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Prefix or Member #	Alariqus
Breed(s)	Great Danes
Phone Number	
Years involved	40
Family involved?	⊠ Yes(20 years) □ No
My thoughts on:	Pet shops should <u>not</u> be selling any animals, not even from a refuge.
Transition pet shops to adoption centres (can only sell dogs sourced from rescues).	
My thoughts on: Introduce mandatory dog de-sexing.	Should not be mandatory. Dogs West members are already held to very strict rules, so should be exempt.
My thoughts on: Introduce a centralised registration system and Council registration to be a Breeder.	Will only work if <u>all</u> dogs are micro-chipped and local councils don't have the manpower to control that.
My thoughts on: Introduce mandatory standards for dog breeding, housing, husbandry, transport and sale.	Minimum age for breeding and puppies raised in a home environment with a broad range of socialisation. Vaccinations protocol kept up-to-date.