

**INQUIRY INTO ANIMAL CRUELTY LAWS IN NEW SOUTH  
WALES**

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I phoned the Animal Welfare league inspectors as I was concerned about a border collie confined in a small courtyard with no toys, or mental enrichment. The inspector informed me the only way they are able to intervene on the dog's behalf is if the dog has no food, water or shelter.

The criteria in my opinion for removing an animal from an unsuitable environment or enforcing an improved quality of life is woefully inadequate. As the AWL is stymied by

the current laws, this poor border collie will continue to be confined, what is tantamount to a cage for hours on end. This is an appalling environment for a breed that has high needs for mental enrichment and exercise, as a result the dog is starting to become a nuisance barker.