

**Submission  
No 127**

**INQUIRY INTO ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY IN NEW  
SOUTH WALES**

**Name:** Mrs Julia Roso

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I have been showing and breeding Standard Schnauzers for 20 years. They are a wonderful breed with no health issues that does not shed coat and makes a wonderful family dog. There is a very limited genepool in Australia. It was only possible for me to breed these dogs here because I have good friends in Europe who were so kind to take many different dogs with unrelated bloodlines to the vets there and send me semen. In order to succeed with the Artificial Insemination, a small surgery is best to ensure success. It is not stressful for the bitch and has resulted in beautiful puppies and happy owners, and as importantly, allowed me to keep a broad genetic base in my breeding. Please do not remove the ability for us breeders to use surgical artificial insemination. We are preservation breeders and need access to overseas genetics and the ability to use Artificial Insemination techniques that are promising a higher chance of success than transcervical options to keep the genetic base as wide as possible and continue to produce happy and healthy dogs for Australian families to enjoy.