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**INQUIRY INTO PUPPY FARMING IN NEW SOUTH
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- * Puppy farming and back yard breeders are responsible for the amount of dogs that end up in pounds. They don't care about the animals, they only care about making money. No-one should be able to keep breeding dogs (or cats) without strict rules, including the amount of animals they have, how many litters are allowed per animal and mandatory licenses to sell an animal.
- * All registered breeders should make sure their puppies/ kittens are desexed and microchipped before being adopted. Registered breeders should have to pay annual fees to help the unfortunate animals that end up in pounds. There will be cases where registered breeders wish to not desex an animal - this should be an exemption they need to apply for, with a limited amount of exemptions granted to each breeder.
- * Registered breeders should always take back an animal they have bred if it needs to be rehomed. These animals should not end up in pounds or rescue groups. They have made money for selling the animal and their responsibility shouldn't end once they have been paid.
- * Puppy farms and back yard breeders should be banned completely - its extremely cruel yet it remains completely legal in New South Wales.
- * Victoria and Western Australia have already banned the sale of puppies in pet shops and introduced laws to combat puppy farms - why has NSW not done this yet? Since legislation has been passed in other states, New South Wales has seen a surge in puppy farm applications.
- * There are so many stories of cruel and inhumane practices involving these animals. There's Strawberry the boxer left to rot after she was no longer needed. Another case is a 4 week old puppy given to someone, who after a week, decided they no longer wanted it. This puppy was then taken to a football match and given away to a random stranger. The puppy was later dumped off at a pound. Then there are the puppies that were dumped on the side of a highway in a cardboard box and left to die. Luckily they were found and taken to Dog Rescue Newcastle who found homes for them all.
- * Please create laws to ban puppy farming, back yard breeding plus selling animals online, or in pet shops. We are better than this.