



## NEWS



## DO YOU KNOW?

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If I was to ask you what DOGS NSW Regulations Part XIII was all about, how many could answer that question?

Part XIII of course is DOGS NSW Code of Ethics. Put simply, the Code of Ethics is the grouping of some very important DOGS NSW regulations, plus some 'Standards' that are legislated under state laws.

DOGS NSW Code of Ethics is not limited to any particular group of DOGS NSW members. Every member, when they join or renew their membership, do agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations of DOGS NSW.

To many of our members, the Code of Ethics is an absolute minimum set of guidelines for the care and management of their dogs. Nothing mentioned in the Code of Ethics should be beyond the capabilities of any member to achieve, or comply with.

A very commonly used phrase these days is "Responsible Pet Ownership". The term is very broad, covering our animals and their care, from the basic family companion situation, right through to performance, show and breeding animals. At every level, there is not only community expectation on acceptable care and management,

but also complying with the regulations and requirements set by regulatory authorities.

I am reassured regularly, while performing my duties, that many members truly do have the welfare of their dogs at heart, providing enrichment to the lives of not just the owners, but the dogs as well.

More than ever we must be prepared to provide a good life for our dogs. DOGS NSW is involved in an unprecedented level in the consultation stages of all aspects of responsible pet ownership, with fellow stakeholders, politicians and regulatory authorities. DOGS NSW voice is being listened to by decision making authorities. All of us, as a united membership, must reinforce that we accept the Code of Ethics is the standard we do meet.

Just as community expectations and regulatory requirements can vary, so too does DOGS NSW Code of Ethics. The Board of Directors are regularly revisiting the regulations and making amendments to the Code of Ethics, where appropriate or needed.

If you haven't read the Code of Ethics, or if it has been some time since you have read it, I urge you to do so now to ensure you are meeting the standards expected of your membership: <https://www.dogsnsw.org.au/media/1996/part-13-code-of-ethics-dec-2018.pdf>

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