Exemption Timeline Overview

Legislative Provisions

Maximum number of female adult dogs commences

21 November 2024



- » A person is prohibited from keeping more than 20 female adult dogs on any premises.
- » A person who had more than 20 female adult dogs on a premises on 24 October 2024 can keep up to that number until 30 November 2025.

Actions

 Exemption to maximum number of female adult dogs commences

1 December 2025



- » Any person without an exemption is prohibited from having more than 20 female adult dogs on any premises.
- Exemption to maximum number of female adult dogs expires

1 December 2035



= Legislative commencement dates

Note: On 1 December 2025, additional legislative provisions also commence:

- · Voluntary Breeder Identification Numbers updated
- Mandatory breeder identification commences
- · Lifetime breeding caps for female adult dogs commences
- · Minimum staff ratios for dog breeding premises commences
- Requirements for sale or transfer of dogs commences

Applications open

30 May 2025

Application for an exemption to the maximum number of female adult dogs

Applications close

13 July 2025

Exemption to the maximum number of female adult dogs closes

Notification periods

30 May 2025

Exemption notification period 30 May to 1 September 2025