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New laws for cats and dogs

In July 2009 the State Government introduced new laws for pet owners in Queensland.

Changes include compulsory cat and dog registration by 12 weeks of age and compulsory microchipping for new and transferring cats and dogs.

These laws are effective as of 1 July 2010. Notwithstanding the new Act, the mandatory requirement to register dogs has been in existence by virtue of Local Law. The only change is that from 1 July 2010, the requirement to register dogs will be governed by the new Act and not the Local Law.

The following table outlines how the new legislation may affect you.

	I have a cat or dog aged under 12 weeks	I already have a cat or dog aged over 12 weeks	I am buying a cat or dog (any age)	I am giving away or selling a cat or dog aged under 12 weeks	I am giving away or selling a cat or dog aged over 12 weeks	I have a declared menacing dog	I have a Declared dangerous dog	I have a restricted dog
Register with your local Council	▲ recommended	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory	◆ optional	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory
Microchip with an authorised implanter	🐾 compulsory	▲ recommended	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory
Desex at an appropriate age with your vet	▲ recommended	▲ recommended	▲ recommended	▲ recommended	▲ recommended	▲ recommended	🐾 compulsory	🐾 compulsory

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