



# Do you know the law about dogs? (answers)

## Who enforces the law?

Anyone can prosecute an offence under the Animal Welfare Act 2006 but it is usually the police or the RSPCA.

What's the issue?	Is this true?	True or false?	Who enforces the law?
<b>Dog fighting</b>	It is illegal to keep or train a dog for fighting, take part in a dog fight or just be present at a dog fight.	<b>True</b>	The RSPCA/police.
<b>Dangerous dogs</b>	It is legal to let a dog be dangerously out of control in a public place.	<b>False</b>	The police/local authority/dog warden or the RSPCA if there is a cruelty issue.
<b>Dog licences</b>	Dog owners must get a licence from their local authority.	<b>False</b>	
<b>Collars</b>	Dogs <b>must</b> wear a collar and identity tag when in a public place. The tag must show the contact details of the dog's owner.	<b>True</b>	Local authority (dog warden).
<b>Dog fouling</b>	People who let their dogs foul in a public place and don't clean it up may be fined.	<b>True</b>	Local authority (dog warden).
<b>Cruelty</b>	It is legal to cause dogs to suffer by hurting them or not looking after them properly.	<b>False</b>	The RSPCA/police/local authority.
<b>Eating dog meat</b>	It is legal to eat dog meat in the UK.	<b>True</b>	
<b>Dog fur coats</b>	It is legal to own a coat made of dog fur in the UK.	<b>True</b>	
<b>Hunting</b>	It is legal to hunt badgers and otters.	<b>False</b>	The police/RSPCA/League Against Cruel Sports/IFAW.