

Code of Practice for the Operation of Breeding and Rearing Businesses (2014)

July 2015 version

July 2015 changes

The Minister for Agriculture has taken action to further crack down on illegal puppy and kitten farms.

An amended Code of Practice for the Operation of Breeding and Rearing Businesses (2014) commences on 1 July 2015.

It has been amended to require breeders to obtain a veterinary health check for all female dogs prior to each mating cycle.

In addition, the Code contains minor typographical corrections, and minor amendments to update the Code with respect to Machinery of Government changes and the Primary Industries Legislation Amendment Act 2014.

A copy of the amended Code can be viewed or downloaded from this page:
www.depi.vic.gov.au/breedingcode.

A comprehensive Tool Kit, providing businesses and enforcement officers with guides and templates relevant to the Code, can also be found online.

If you cannot access the webpage, please email pet.welfare@ecodev.vic.gov.au or call 136 186 to obtain a copy of the amended Code.

Breeders should contact their local council if they have any additional queries about compliance with the Code.



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