

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL KENNEL COUNCIL LTD POLICY STATEMENT

CARING AND INFORMED OWNERSHIP

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ANKC Ltd and its Member Bodies are committed to ensuring the caring and informed ownership of dogs.

Individual members are expected to be fully conversant with their responsibilities and liabilities under legislation relating to the ownership of dogs and to comply with such legislation.

Prospective owners should be encouraged to choose a suitable breed for their lifestyle and environment.

Dog owners bear a special responsibility to their canine companions, to provide proper care and humane treatment at all times. This means the provision of adequate and nutritious diet, clean water, clean, dry and comfortable living conditions, appropriate veterinary care, kind and responsible human companionship and training in appropriate behavior.