

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Greyhounds
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:44:52 PM

Dear Sirs,

Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling. As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth, it is time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds.

Thank you.
Yours faithfully,

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From: [REDACTED]
Subject: I support an end to compulsory greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:38:52 PM

Dear Peter Katsambanis MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme, which involves taking my pets away from their home for multiple days, causing them a great deal of discomfort and stress and expecting them to showcase their best behaviour.

I support the removal of this law for companion pet greyhounds for the following reasons:

1. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals
2. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds
3. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law
4. The view supported by veterinary behaviourists is that the behaviour of a particular dog should be based on that individual dogs attributes not its breed
5. As a breed, greyhounds are known for their generally friendly and gentle disposition, even despite their upbringing in the racing industry
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7. There is no evidence that shows that Breed Specific Legislation such as greyhounds wearing muzzles is effective in preventing or reducing dog attacks
8. The current 'prescribed training program' is called the Green Collar assessment. As with any behavioural assessment, it only can provide a snapshot of an animal's behaviour at a certain point in time. It doesn't recognise changes that may occur in a dogs behaviour over time, which could be influenced by variety of factors. Its implied assurance may discourage dog owner from ongoing responsibility for their pets behaviour developments
9. There is evidence that suggests that legislation that increases the responsibility of all dog owners, for example through higher fines, leads to a reduction in dog bites and increase in community safety

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Re: END TO THE GREYHOUND MUZZLE
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:33:10 PM

Thank you for your response and acknowledgement

Regards,

[REDACTED]

On Jul 18, 2019, at 4:13 AM, Cat and Dog Review <catanddogreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au> wrote:

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Subject: END TO THE GREYHOUND MUZZLE

To Whom it may concern,

As the owner of two greyhounds in the United States (NYC) I am writing to you end this cruel and inappropriate law. Greyhounds are the most caring and gentle pets. My two are around young children periodically, not regularly and they are most affectionate.

The need for a muzzle is foolish.

Please reconsider

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



From:



Subject:

Anti-Muzzling

Date:

Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:30:57 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

It is ridiculous that in Western Australia the Dog Act requires every adopted greyhound to wear a muzzle in public. I ask for a repeal of this requirement! Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling. As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. It's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

I appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Sent from [Outlook](#)

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Please amend the dog act to remover misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:26:56 PM

Officials,

Please amend the dog act to remover misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling. I own a greyhound and they are the most gentle dogs I have ever encountered. My daughter owns three of them and she would certainly agree with me. They deserves better treatment.

Thanking you from my heart for your consideration.

From a concerned greyhound owner,

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From:



Subject:

Greyhound Muzzling

Date:

Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:14:25 PM

I am writing to urge that you amend the Dog Act to stop muzzling greyhounds in public. These are gentle dogs – there is no reason to require muzzling. I have come across greyhounds many times while walking here in the U.S. and they never acted vicious.



From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling!
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:09:59 PM

WA Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Sir, Madam,
To whom it concerns:

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth.

The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are!

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2. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds
3. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law!

Sincerely:

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Stop Muzzling Greyhounds
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:04:28 PM

Please remove breed specific language from The Dog Act because you are unfairly muzzling a very sweet tempered breed. Stop muzzling Greyhounds.

Sent From Android R2D2

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: enforced muzzling of greyhounds
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:01:24 PM

I am writing to express my opposition to the law requiring muzzling of greyhounds in public places. There is no evidence that these dogs are a threat to the public and requiring them to be muzzled is cruel and unnecessary.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:21:03 PM

What's the matter with you people? Get rid of the muzzles.

From:

Subject:
Date:

I support an end to compulsory greyhound muzzling. I have several greyhound friends, and they are the most relaxed, unaggressive, and passively friendly dogs. A friend's greyhound spends days at a time at our house - I have never seen the slightest sig...
Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:18:45 PM

Dear Simone McGurk MP.

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

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I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme.

I support the removal of this law for companion pet greyhounds for the following reasons:

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2. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds

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3. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law

4. The view supported by veterinary behaviourists is that the behaviour of a particular dog should be based on that individual dogs attributes not its breed

5. As a breed, greyhounds are known for their generally friendly and gentle disposition, even despite their upbringing in the racing industry

6. Muzzling contributes to unwarranted negative public perceptions about greyhounds and their suitability as pets, impacting adoption opportunities

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9. There is evidence that suggests that legislation that increases the responsibility of all dog owners, for example through higher fines, leads to a reduction in dog bites and increase in community safety

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From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Support all end for compulsory greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:09:32 PM

Dear John McGrath MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme.

Greyhounds truly are lovable couch potatoes & just want a comfy couch & people huge, there's no reason for this beautiful breed to be muzzled.

I support the removal of this law for companion pet greyhounds for the following reasons:

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: No more racing!!!! End all cruelty!!!!
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:09:32 PM

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: [Dog Show](#)
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2015 9:46:23 PM

everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see
just how wonderful these dogs are

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: greyhounds
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:36:09 PM

Please, no muzzles on greyhounds !!!!!

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Re: End The Muzzle
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:32:06 PM

Thank you for your response

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 18, 2019, at 3:42 AM, Cat and Dog Review <catanddogreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au> wrote:

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Sent: Thursday, 18 July 2019 1:20 AM
To: Cat&DogReview <catanddogreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au>
Subject: End The Muzzle

Please end this uncomfortable law that requires Greyhounds to a muzzle. The dog has no aggressive history at all!
The law could deter someone from adopting the Greyhound!

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:24:19 PM

I am writing to express my concerns that greyhounds are required to be muzzled in public. This breed is known to be a friendly and calm breed. In addition these greyhounds have already suffered much abuse at the hands of the racing industry. Greyhounds deserve the chance to be adopted and this policy deters some adoptions. Breed specific legislation does not work anymore than targeting specific groups of people based on ethnicity, sexual orientation, etc.

Give these dogs a chance at a peaceful life and free them from muzzles.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:21:06 PM

Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

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From: [REDACTED]
Subject: I support an end to compulsory greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:17:35 PM

Dear William Marmion MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

My name is Sam Backberry and I am a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of Western Australia. I am also a Greyhound owner. I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme.

I support the removal of this law for companion pet greyhounds for the following reasons:

1. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals
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Yours sincerely,

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Greyhounds are safe
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:13:17 PM

Dear DLGSC MEMBERS:
GREYHOUNDS ARE PACIFIC, COUCH POTATO DOGS AND SHOULD NOT BE REQUIRED TO BE MUZZLED WHEN IN PUBLIC. WHY NOT TARGET DOGS WITH KNOWN VIOLENT PROPENSITIES INSTEAD?. PLEASE LET THESE QUIET DOGS LIVE A NORMAL LIFE.
THANK YOU,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:09:50 PM

Dear Sir/Madam

Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific legislation requiring greyhound muzzling!

Thanks for listening!

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Muzzle
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:06:19 PM

Please stop the requirement that all greyhounds must be muzzled
Thank you

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Review of current muzzling law
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 8:55:02 PM

Dear sir/madam

As a previous greyhound owner I can say with no hesitation that the greyhound muzzling law is unnecessary.

This cruel practice must be reviewed and abolished.

These are most gentle dispositioned creatures you are likely to have.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Dogs
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 8:54:51 PM

Amend the Dog Act....NOW!!!!

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: End Muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 8:36:23 PM

Greyhounds are generally very gentle dogs. If treated kindly and properly, there should be no need for muzzling. End muzzling, and while you're at it, end the cruel and diabolical racing industry.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Muzzling Greyhounds
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 8:28:32 PM

Please discontinue the law that requires greyhounds to be muzzled. They are kind and loving animals.

From:



Subject:

Remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling!

Date:

Thursday, 18 July 2019 8:27:00 PM

WA Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Sir, Madam,

To whom it concerns:

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth.

The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are!

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Sincerely,



From:

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█ [Review](#)

Subject:

RE: Please have mercy on these sweet greyhound dogs

Date:

Thursday, 18 July 2019 8:17:20 PM

Thank you.

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It brings tears to my eyes to think these sweet gentle creatures of God are muzzled and l'll treated. Please have mercy on them. Will God do tbe same for you if you turn a blind eye and continue the fear, hatred and torture of sentient, feeling beings.

Shame on you if you do not do the right thing!

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Support for end to compulsory greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 8:07:34 PM

Dear Simone McGurk MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme.

I support the removal of this law for companion pet greyhounds for the following reasons:

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Enforced muzzling of Greyhounds in public
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 8:03:04 PM

It is unfortunate that these gentle dogs are discriminated against and somehow seen as enough of a threat that they must be muzzled in public. Other allegedly aggressive breeds aren't subjected to this scrutiny unless on a specific incident. I urge you to reconsider this decision and allow these wonderful animals the love and life that they deserve. Thank you

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Stop muzzles
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 7:57:15 PM

I think it's absolutely disgusting the way greyhound dogs are treated .They should not be made to race and then subjected to such horrific life's (if they are not destroyed).And definitely not made to wear muzzles

Sent from my Samsung device donna poyser

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Support for ban on compulsory greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 7:55:18 PM

Dear Dean Nalder MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds, particularly in light of the fact that similar changes have occurred in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme.

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From: [Sonia Batic](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:42:48 PM

Dear John Carey MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

I would like to express my support for the complete REMOVAL of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: No muzzling for Greyhounds
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 7:45:19 PM

amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

Edvige Pucciarelli

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Support for the removal of compulsory greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 7:32:02 PM

Dear Jessica Shaw MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

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9. There is evidence that suggests that legislation that increases the responsibility of all dog owners, for example through higher fines, leads to a reduction in dog bites and increase in community safety

Let's take the step that Victoria already has. These dogs are absolutely the gentlest I've ever had the great fortune to have as a pet. their kind have been tormented and abused for too long, let's not perpetuate the lie that they are dangerous and free their faces from muzzles.

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From:



Subject:

I support an end to compulsory greyhound muzzling

Date:

Thursday, 18 July 2019 7:24:34 PM

I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme.

I support the removal of this law for companion pet greyhounds for the following reasons:

1. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals
2. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds
3. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law
4. The view supported by veterinary behaviourists is that the behaviour of a particular dog should be based on that individual dogs attributes not its breed
5. As a breed, greyhounds are known for their generally friendly and gentle disposition, even despite their upbringing in the racing industry
6. Muzzling contributes to unwarranted negative public perceptions about greyhounds and their suitability as pets, impacting adoption opportunities
7. There is no evidence that shows that Breed Specific Legislation such as greyhounds wearing muzzles is effective in preventing or reducing dog attacks
8. The current 'prescribed training program' is called the Green Collar assessment. As with any behavioural assessment, it only can provide a snapshot of an animal's behaviour at a certain point in time. It doesn't recognise changes that may occur in a dogs behaviour over time, which could be influenced by variety of factors. Its implied assurance may discourage dog owner from ongoing responsibility for their pets behaviour developments
9. There is evidence that suggests that legislation that increases the responsibility of all dog owners, for example through higher fines, leads to a reduction in dog bites and increase in community safety

Regards



From: [Redacted]
Subject: I support an end to compulsory greyhound muzzling
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 7:04:03 PM

Dear Simone McGurk MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals

The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds

Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law

The view supported by veterinary behaviourists is that the behaviour of a particular dog should be based on that individual dogs attributes not its breed

As a breed, greyhounds are known for their generally friendly and gentle disposition, even despite their upbringing in the racing industry

Muzzling contributes to unwarranted negative public perceptions about greyhounds and their suitability as pets, impacting adoption opportunities

There is no evidence that shows that Breed Specific Legislation such as greyhounds wearing muzzles is effective in preventing or reducing dog attacks

The current 'prescribed training program' is called the Green Collar assessment. As with any behavioural assessment, it only can provide a snapshot of an animal's behaviour at a certain point in time. It doesn't recognise changes that may occur in a dogs behaviour over time, which could be influenced by variety of factors. Its implied assurance may discourage dog owner from ongoing responsibility for their pets behaviour developments.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted signature block]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Cat and Dog Review](#)
Subject: Please amend Dog Act
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 6:55:47 PM

I am writing to you to respectfully request that you amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. I have personally been in the company of these wonderful dogs and have never felt in any danger. They are very loving creatures and never have I thought one should be muzzled.

The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

Please change the language.

Thank you.

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***"No matter how little money and how few possessions you own, having a dog makes you rich."***

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Dog Act - Muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 6:32:50 PM

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Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#); [wa-government@dpc.wa.gov.au](mailto:wa-government@dpc.wa.gov.au)  
**Subject:** Muzzling of Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 5:51:21 PM

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Dear Mark McGowan,

Question:

Why does the Western Australia Dog Act require every adopted greyhound to wear a muzzle in public? What scientific evidence is there that this is necessary?

I have adopted an ex-racing greyhound and she is as 'soft as butter' when she meets other dogs and people including children.

In my experience it is sometimes the dog owners who should be 'muzzled in public'!! I recommend that all dog owners should read *The Dog Listener* by Jan Fennel so that they can learn to be the 'Pack Leader'!!

I look forward to receiving your reply.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Please, amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 5:28:20 PM

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Please, amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Outrageous  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 5:28:02 PM

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I am so amazed that greyhounds in WA need to be muzzled in public.

These gentle dogs are not a risk. They have been proven to be loving pets.

I abhor the racing industry that abuses animals for profit and ask that a sensible approach be taken to this issue

Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** muzzle law of Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 5:08:46 PM

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Gentlemen,

I am an owner of Greyhounds. This breed is one of the gentlest dogs you can have. They certainly don't need to be muzzled. I beg You therefore kindly to change this law.

Best regards

[REDACTED]

**From:** [Cat and Dog Review](#) on behalf of [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: greyhound muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 4:48:00 PM

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[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:54 AM  
**To:** Cat&DogReview <catanddogreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** greyhound muzzling

Hi. In view of how the world is being destroyed by human arrogance and ignorance and hearing and reading about the embarrassing and shameful comments made by humans every moment of the day, I should think muzzling of humans would be a priority and should take precedence over the muzzling of greyhounds, which seems to be pointless.

Please free these animals from another embarrassing and discriminating human error and take off the muzzles. Thank you. [REDACTED]



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling of Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 4:33:20 PM

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Please consider repealing this distressing and unnecessary law, they are not the Hannibal Lecters of the dog world.

Yours

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** End forced muzzling on greyhounds PLEASE  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 4:29:51 PM

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I want to ask officials to amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

Thank you in advance,

[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Dog Act  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 4:12:29 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I was astonished to learn that Greyounds are supposed to wear a muzzle in public. Greyhounds are very kind and affectionate dogs and pose no risk to people. I kindly ask you to consider changing this obsolete legislation like many other states did.

Sincerely

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Re. Greyhound muzzling requirement!  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 4:12:06 PM

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WA Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Sir, Madam,  
To whom it concerns:

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth.

The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are!

1. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals
2. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds
3. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law!

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:54:18 PM

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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to urge you to please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

Thank you for your time.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** one of the sweetest breed of dogs  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:54:08 PM

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I ask officials to amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Stop muzzling greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:42:38 PM

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Please,  
amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language  
requiring greyhound muzzling.  
truthfully -

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat and Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:38:38 PM

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Good Day,

Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law. The view supported by veterinary behaviorists is that the behavior of a particular dog should be based on that individual dogs attributes not its breed. As a breed, greyhounds are known for their generally friendly and gentle disposition, even despite their upbringing in the racing industry. Muzzling contributes to unwarranted negative public perceptions about greyhounds and their suitability as pets, impacting adoption opportunities. There is no evidence that shows that Breed Specific Legislation such as greyhounds wearing muzzles is effective in preventing or reducing dog attacks. The current 'prescribed training program' is called the Green Collar assessment. As with any behavioral assessment, it only can provide a snapshot of an animal's behavior at a certain point in time. There is evidence that suggests that legislation that increases the responsibility on all dog owners for their dog's actions, regardless of breed, for example through higher fines, leads to a reduction in dog bites and increase in community safety.

Please love Greyhounds,

[REDACTED]

*Life begins where fear ends.  
Become who you are.*



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Remove misguided breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:37:07 PM

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<https://grey2kusa.org/eNEWS/G2K-071719-australia-tw.html>

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**To:** [catanddogreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au](mailto:catanddogreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au)

**Subject:** Remove misguided breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling

WA Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Sir/ Madam,

As a breed greyhounds are some of the most good-natured dogs on earth.

The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs in Australia, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are. Note that: 1. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free, and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals, and 2. The RSPCA has found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds.

Kindly consider removing the current unethical practice against greyhounds in Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania

Sincerely

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:28:37 PM

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Dear Sirs

Please would you amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling as soon as possible. It is not necessary for these gentle dogs to have this done.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Amendment  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:23:08 PM

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Hi

Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Amendment  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:22:02 PM

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Hi

Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling of Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:08:09 PM

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There is no evidence to suggest that the compulsory muzzling of greyhounds provides any benefit to the community nor makes the community safer • Western Australia's Dog Act is outdated and lagging behind the majority of other states who have already removed this requirement • Globally, Northern Ireland is the only other country in the world that has compulsory muzzling laws • Both the RSPCA and Australian Veterinary Association support the removal of compulsory muzzling laws • The WA racing industry regulator, RWWA has also indicated they support the removal of this law • Already over 4000 WA residents have signed petitions to support the removal of this law • There is no evidence to suggest that by changing this law there would be any increase in incidents involving greyhounds

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 3:01:30 PM

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Please end the mandatory muzzling of Greyhounds! They are sweet, gentle dogs!

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Remove muzzling on greyhounds.  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:54:11 PM

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Dear Sir/Madame,

Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

This act has been removed in 5 other states. As usual WA is far behind.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:39:49 PM

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The officials concerned must please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

[REDACTED]



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** End forced muzzling of greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:39:13 PM

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Dear Mrs, Sir,

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

These dogs have already suffered more than enough (no animal should ever suffer what they must bare), therefor, please stop the totally unnecessary muzzling of greyhounds.

With kind regards,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:39:01 PM

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WA Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Sir, Madam,  
To whom it concerns:

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth.

The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are!

1. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals
2. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds
3. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law!

Sincerely:

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhound muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:36:21 PM

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Greyhounds are totally misunderstood in Australia. Ive always though your country was one of the most just and animal friendly in the world. Please change this ridiculous law.

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** STOP TARGETING gentle greyhounds. Remove greyhound muzzling requirement!  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:30:16 PM

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STOP TARGETING gentle greyhounds.  
Remove greyhound muzzling requirement!

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:25:13 PM

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amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

thanks,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhound Muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:23:10 PM

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Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhound Muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:21:50 PM

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Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat & Dog Review](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhound muzzles  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 2:18:01 PM

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### **TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

Since when has the Australian Government passed the ridiculous act enforcing that the Greyhounds Dog Act force every adopted greyhound to wear a muzzle in public? Following successful anti-muzzling campaigns in five other Australian jurisdictions, advocates led by Andrea Pollard and **Free the Hounds** are now fighting to repeal this requirement in their state, too!

Given the high “wastage” (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

[REDACTED]



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 1:55:02 PM

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STOP MUZZLING GREYHOUNDS !!!!

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Please end forced muzzling of Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 1:21:23 PM

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Hello,

Please end the forced muzzling of Greyhounds! These dogs are gentle and friendly and make wonderful family pets. Adoptions of former racing Greyhounds have been very successful. I can say from personal experience that they are sweet, calm, adoptable dogs who live successfully with any other breed of dog, cats, children, and seniors.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Stop Muzzling Greyhounds.  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 1:16:03 PM

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Greyhounds are a very special and gentle breed of animal and deserve to be treated as such. I have had some experience being around these kind of dogs and have some close friends that have greyhounds as their companion animals I even work with all sorts of dogs at my local shelter and have done so for the past 7 years. Greyhounds are the sweetest and most precious creatures to have around certainly in your home. They are absolutely no real threat to anyone even children they're the kindest and most sensitive creatures I know. The last thing they need on top of all many of them have suffered through dog racing more than anything else is to be demoralized by being cruelly muzzled and being unfairly deemed dangerous to the community around them. Properly handled and trained they can be of great benefit to everyone around them even senior citizens like myself. If I didn't have my two pit bulls I'd probably have two greyhounds instead. So I would like to strongly request and demand that these sweet creatures stop being treated unjustly and be unmuzzled in public and elsewhere as they richly deserve, thank you.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** STOP THE MUZZLING of greyhounds in public...they are so docile...totally unnecessary and sends the wrong message for adoption!  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 12:40:36 PM

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**STOP THE MUZZLING of greyhounds in public...they are so docile...totally unnecessary and sends the wrong message for adoption!**

My best--

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 12:33:29 PM

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Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals. As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** The Dog Act  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 12:28:36 PM

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Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided breed-specific language requiring that Greyhounds must be muzzled. Greyhounds once allowed to live like most other dogs with respect, training, and lots of love are indeed gentle dogs, in fact even enjoy being couch potatoes. Do not cause the public to fear these magnificent dogs by having them appear in public with muzzles. I disrespect the humans who put muzzles on their dogs, what does that tell the public, that their dogs might bite or attack? That is wrong thinking why instill fear, and especially with the greyhounds who are basically gentle dogs, but very fast runners. Thank you for your attention.

Sincere,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Dog Act - Muzzles for Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:49:27 AM

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I am writing to you today to ask you to amend the Dog Act to repeal the current legislation requiring greyhound muzzling in Western Australia.

On almost every greyhound adoption website there is a note included stating that greyhounds are just like other dogs, only lazier.

Since it is now illegal to “blood” a greyhound with “live bait”, there should be no stigma attached to the breed.

In the 15 years that I have been adopting and interacting with greyhounds, it is only in the last 12 months that I have met three aggressive greyhounds, two of which were muzzled and calmed down once they were properly introduced to my dog, and the third was only aggressive because she had recently been attacked (while she was muzzled) by a vicious Staffordshire bull terrier.

Our laws regarding muzzles are outdated and it is time for WA to lose the label of Wait Awhile and instead catch up with the rest of Australia.

I look forward to receiving your response and thank you for accepting my submission.

Regards

[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzle for Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:42:26 AM

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That is not possible that greyhounds some of the sweetest dogs on earth must wear a muzzle in Australia!  
Here in Germany- a very civilized country- they are kept like all other dogs: free from muzzle & when they respond, without lines  
Australian authorities should be blamed by for their barbaric issues  
Best regards  
[REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]  
Subject: I support an end to compulsory greyhound muzzling  
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:10:47 AM

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Dear Mark Folkard MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

PLEASE FIX THIS!

I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme.

I support the removal of this law for companion pet greyhounds for the following reasons:

1. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals
2. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds
3. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law
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Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling companion greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:07:27 AM

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Dear Madame and Sirs,

I am writing to inform you of my support for the complete repeal of s 33(1) of the *Dog Act 1976* (WA). Muzzling of greyhounds should be banned for the following reasons:

1. Greyhounds are not aggressive and should not be treated like dangerous dogs
2. Muzzling greyhounds makes the public believe that they are aggressive and therefore negatively impacts adoption rates
3. Other states have already removed muzzle laws and there has been no negative impact. Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, the ACT, and the NT have all repealed muzzling legislation. And in these states where muzzling legislation has been repealed, the RSPCA has recorded no increase in the number of attacks by greyhounds. There is also no evidence elsewhere supporting the erroneous idea that locations without greyhound muzzling laws experience an increase in attacks or bites.
4. Muzzled greyhounds have themselves been victims of attack, with the inability to defend themselves or their owners. Muzzles leave these sweet, timid dogs vulnerable to attack by other dogs and animals.

Thank you for your time, your consideration is appreciated,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Dog Act.  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:03:55 AM

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Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.  
It's wrong, unneeded and cruel.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED].

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Gentle greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:59:14 AM

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I've known rescued greyhounds.  
They all were gentle friendly dogs. My Queensland Heeler, Red, is the possessive snippy one.  
Please, no muzzles.

[REDACTED]

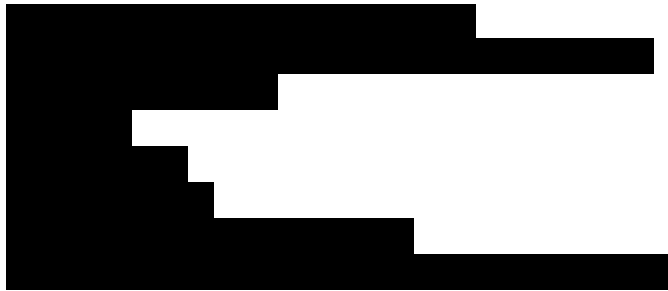
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** End the Muzzling of Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:54:38 AM

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Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

Thanks for your time and consideration.



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:53:16 AM

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Please stop the mandatory muzzling of Greyhounds...they are just such gentle, sweet dogs!  
Thank you so much!! : )

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Stop muzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:46:42 AM

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To whom it may concern

Greyhounds should not be muzzled. Please stop this.

Thank you

[REDACTED]




**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:44:26 AM

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Stop cruelty!



**From:**   
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Don't muzzle greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:36:54 AM

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:36:34 AM

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Stop It!

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** repeal language requiring greyhound muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:36:23 AM

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

As part of your review of the Dog Act 1976, I hope you will please repeal the requirement for the muzzling of adopted greyhounds in public. Five other states have already repealed this antiquated provision in their laws and I hope you will do the same.

Thank you for your attention to my concerns.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling dogs  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:35:21 AM

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I am writing to urge you to change the laws regarding greyhounds. I have several friends who have adopted greyhounds and they are the most gentle and loving animals. Muzzling these dogs only perpetuates the abuse they have suffered in the racing industry.

Thank you for your attention. [REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Please stop discriminating against greyhounds!  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:35:05 AM

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As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** End required muzzles on Greyhound  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:33:01 AM

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Please get rid of the law that requires greyhounds to be muzzled. I own two greyhounds rescued from the racetrack here in United States. They are the most gentle creatures ever. They are actually one of the lowest on the scale of dogs that bite. Seeing a greyhound with A muzzle on sends a wrong message to people about the true nature of these angelic creatures. Please find it in your heart to get rid of this law .

Regards

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhound muzzle law  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:32:25 AM

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To whom it may concern

I am writing concerning to amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

I fully support that the requirement that greyhounds be muzzled.

I find it embarrassing that we in Western Australia still have this law whilst other states and countries do not.

It is disgraceful that the government make money through TAB through the terrible treatment and euthanasia of greyhounds for racing anyway. But to then to also stigmatise the lucky ones who are adopted with muzzles which puts off potential adopters is a real kick in the teeth.

Greyhounds are the laziest most mild mannered dogs and are one of the least aggressive breeds. I don't get the argument that a greyhound needs to be tested so it does not have to wear a muzzle but for example a staffy does not. Either it applies to all dogs or none.

Please make the right and obvious decision.

Thank you

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]


**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:29:01 AM

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Please stop putting muzzles on the dogs thank you they are very aweet dogs

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10



**From:**   
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Cruelty  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:11:25 AM

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Hello, it's 2019 and we must all be humane!!so please amend the Dog Act to remove the misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhounds be muzzled!! Appalling cruelty!!! I would be so very grateful and would appreciate a kind reply, sincerely Irene

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** no greyhound muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:06:30 AM

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Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** GREYHOUNDS  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 10:02:39 AM

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Please repeal the muzzle act that requires gentle greyhounds to be muzzled. These dogs need a higher adoption rate and by letting people see how sweet they are, adoption will increase.

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Unmuzzled the greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:50:15 AM

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Dear Sir:

Greyhounds are not Vicious dogs. There us no need to muzzle them. They have s hard and oppressive enough life as it is.

Make it law to unmuzzle them.

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Western Australia Dog Act  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:47:00 AM

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It's time to end the Western Australia Dog Act, which requires every adopted greyhound to wear a muzzle in public. Greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds.

Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

Thank You!

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[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:46:47 AM

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I am writing today to ask that the requirement that all adopted greyhounds are required to wear a muzzle in public. As a breed, greyhounds are the sweetest dogs. I have met many adopted greyhounds at the boarding facility where I work. They have no aggression issues that would require them to wear a muzzle, ever. Further, there is no evidence to suggest that the compulsory muzzling of greyhounds provides any benefit to the community, nor makes the community safer. Western Australia's Dog Act is outdated and lagging behind the majority of other states who have already removed this requirement. Globally, Northern Ireland is the only other country in the world that has compulsory muzzling laws. Both the RSPCA and Australian Veterinary Association support the removal of compulsory muzzling laws. The WA racing industry regulator, RWWA, has also indicated they support the removal of this law. Already over 4000 WA residents have signed petitions to support the removal of this law. There is no evidence to suggest that by changing this law there would be any increase in incidents involving greyhounds. Please remove this requirement to help ensure a happier life for deserving greyhounds and their owners and help improve adoption rates of these wonderful, gentle creatures.

Thank you for your time and for your consideration.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:45:55 AM

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Greyhounds and all animals need to be protected and stop this dang greyhound and horse racing around the world, enough already abusing animals for money, entertainment! Play slot machines or Lotto! Let animals be animals free and happy, keep them safe around the world with major laws, jail time and huge fines!

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** SAVE THE GREY DOGGIES  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:32:19 AM

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DO THE RIGHT THING!



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** from Lucia Fabbo and Justine Faeth  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:30:16 AM

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Please,  
amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language  
requiring greyhound muzzling.

[Send an email](#)

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Dog Act  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:30:10 AM

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Good morning,

I'm emailing to voice my concern about muzzling greyhounds. I'm a researcher and feel strongly about looking at the evidence. Greyhounds are kept as pets in many countries muzzle free and there has been absolutely no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, dogs, or other animals. Importantly, the RSPCA has not found any evidence that greyhounds pose any greater risk than other dog breeds.

I strongly encourage you to amend the dog act not just to target animal cruelty, but also to make sure that your policies are grounded in evidence - that greyhounds do not by any means need to be muzzled.

Thank you for your time,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling of greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:28:24 AM

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Dear Sir or Madam

I can not comprehend why it is law to muzzle greyhounds. They are docile dogs - which is amazing considering the abuse that they have suffered from the racing industry. This is an appalling law and I ask you to please spare these gentle dogs any more suffering and lift this unfair ban.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Force muzzling of greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:27:37 AM

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[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** End Forced Muzzling of Greyhound  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:26:04 AM

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Hello,

I have been blessed to have shared my life with 6 greyhounds over the last 27 years. I think I know the breed quite well! They are gentle giants! Muzzling them makes absolutely no sense at all. It's cruel and UNNECESSARY! Two of my boys have also been professional certified therapy dogs visiting nursing homes, and working with autistic children and adults. Please stop this ridiculous and barbaric requirement. All you need is a little bit of time with a greyhound to see they are so gentle and loving.

Thanks!

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:22:05 AM

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To who It May Concern,

Please amend the Dog Act to remove misguided, breed-specific language requiring greyhound muzzling. As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Cc:** [Allen Fromowitz](#)  
**Subject:** Muzzling of gentle and not dangerous dogs like greyhounds is cruel and unnecessary.  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:20:07 AM

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These dog shave been through enough prior to their adoptions. They are gentle and neither deserve nor require any more restrictions than a leash in the street just like most dogs. Please remove such restrictions. Thank you.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 9:16:43 AM

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DO NOT REQUIRE GREYHOUNDS TO BE MUZZLED IN PUBLIC!

[REDACTED]



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Generosity and kindness  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:42:04 AM

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Hello

I wanted to urge you to support change and not muzzle dogs. These greyhounds are beautiful and kind beauties. Please consider this.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds submission regarding greyhound muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:33:18 AM  
**Attachments:** [WA greyhound Muzzling laws.docx](#)

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Please find our letter attached.  
regards,  
Eleonora

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Please don't muzzle greyhounds.  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:29:16 AM

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Greyhounds are wonderful dogs. Sweet and gently. They deserve better!

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Forced Muzzling of Greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:28:40 AM

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Please end forced muzzling of Greyhounds

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Greyhound muzzling  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:22:08 AM

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Sent from my iPhone

Please stop greyhound muzzling and all other cruel acts to these special creatures.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Cat&DogReview](#)  
**Subject:** Unmuzzle adopted greyhounds  
**Date:** Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:15:08 AM

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Good day,

As a breed, greyhounds are some of the sweetest dogs on earth. The RSPCA and leading veterinarians agree that it's time for state law to stop discriminating against greyhounds. My Jack Russell terrier has been "friends" with several rescue greyhounds, all of which were very well socialized and good with other dogs. Given the high "wastage" (kill) rate of ex-racing dogs Down Under, everything should be done to promote adoption, including letting people see just how wonderful these dogs are.

**Peace and Health,**

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]  
Subject: I support an end to compulsory greyhound muzzling  
Date: Thursday, 18 July 2019 11:12:06 AM

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Dear John Carey MP,

cc: Cat and Dog statutory review

This issue needs your attention.

I would like to express my support for the complete removal of the section 33(1) of the Dog Act 1976 in relation to companion pet greyhounds - namely that similar to the recent changes in ACT, Victoria and NSW.

I believe companion greyhounds should be allowed to go muzzle free in public without the requirement to complete a training programme.

I support the removal of this law for companion pet greyhounds for the following reasons:

1. Greyhounds are kept as pets in countries all over the world muzzle free and there has been no increased incidence of greyhound dog bites to people, other dogs or animals
2. The RSPCA have found no evidence to suggest that greyhounds as a breed pose any greater risk than other dog breeds
3. Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania are the only Australian states still with this law. All other states (VIC, NSW, QLD, ACT, NT) have removed this law
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9. There is evidence that suggests that legislation that increases the responsibility of all dog owners, for example through higher fines, leads to a reduction in dog bites and increase in community safety

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