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BARKING DOG

RECORD NO :
FILE NO : 1.71.3.3

COMPLAINT FORM AND DIARY

The barking of dogs is one of the most common complaints about dogs. Barking is a dog's natural way of communicating and can be protection for the home owner. It is an offence when a dog creates a noise by barking (or anything else) which persistently occurs or continues to such a degree that it unreasonably interferes with the peace, comfort or convenience of a person.

Dog owners are responsible for making sure dog barking does not become a problem. Some people are very sensitive to noise. If a complaint is made, regardless of how trivial it may seem, it is a responsibility of the Animal Management Officer to act.

APPLICANT			
NUISANCE DOG/S DETAILS			
<i>Insert – breed of dog, gender and primary colour, distinguishing features</i>			
THE DOG/S IS BELIEVED TO BELONG TO			
<i>Insert owner's name, if known</i>			
NAME OF PERSON LODGING COMPLAINT		MOBILE PHONE	
ADDRESS		ALTERNATE NUMBER	
Request that Council investigate the alleged nuisance and I undertake: a) to give full information to the Council as to this matter; and b) to appear in Court to give evidence as a witness			
SIGNATURE		DATE	

BREED OF DOG

If more than one dog is kept on the property, please specify which dog is creating the noise.

1.)

2.)

**ADDRESS WHERE DOG
IS KEPT AT**

The diary may be commenced on any day but must continue for the following fourteen (14) consecutive days. If necessary, use extra diary sheets.

The diary must be a true and accurate record of your observations. To record the dog as barking continuously refer to the below recording method:

- less than one minute, record it as -1;
- more than a minute record it as 1+;
- less than two minutes, record it as -2 etc.

The description of behaviour column is where your observations are recorded eg dog howling, dog barking on and off every 5-10 minutes, dog didn't stop barking, owners not at home etc.

If at any time, you are absent from your home, please record it with an 'X' in each square so that an accurate record is kept of your observations.

COMMENTS

If there are other details, you wish to bring to Council attention (*e.g. What is the dog/s doing to be a nuisance? How does it affect you?*) and the below space is insufficient, please attached additional pages.

DIARY (FOURTEEN DAY) – DOG BARKING / NUISANCE COMPLAINT

Dog and Cat Management Act – Section 51 Grounds for a Control (Barking Dog or Nuisance Dog) Order and Section 43 Penalties

WEEK 1 Dates	1AM	2AM	3AM	4AM	5AM	6AM	7AM	8AM	9AM	10AM	11AM	NOON	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM	8PM	9PM	10PM	11PM	MIDNIGHT	Description of behaviour
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WEEK 2 Dates	1AM	2AM	3AM	4AM	5AM	6AM	7AM	8AM	9AM	10AM	11AM	NOON	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM	8PM	9PM	10PM	11PM	MIDNIGHT	Description of behaviour
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