

## IF YOU ARE AFFECTED BY THE DANGEROUS DOG ACT

### DO CALL DDA WATCH!

DDA Watch has been set up to monitor dog legislation and provides assistance, support and advice to owners whose dogs have been affected by canine legislation.

DDA Watch telephone helpline numbers:

0844 844 0802

0844 844 2900

0844 844 2990

0844 318 9980

0794 1020 754

Email address: [ddawatch@gmail.com](mailto:ddawatch@gmail.com)

Website: [www.ddawatch.co.uk/](http://www.ddawatch.co.uk/)

Please note: *Our helplines are run by volunteers and sometimes lines are busy. If you cannot get through please leave a message with your name and telephone contact number and we will return your call.*

## DDA Watch

Free, confidential advice & support

Regarding Breed Specific Legislation: (BSL)

If you are visited at home or if you are stopped in the street with your dog, the best advice is to stay calm and **do not sign** anything unless you are sure regarding what it relates to and fully understand it. Ask for the name and contact details of who is dealing with your dog. If your dog has any medical needs tell the officer and follow that up with written information and take any medication to your local police station.

Remember, you do not need to give an interview without a solicitor and it is best if asked to give an interview, to use a solicitor experienced in canine legislation. Contact us for advice and support as soon as possible on the helpline numbers.

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Supporting Fair & Effective Dog Laws

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registered in England and Wales, co.reg number 7393352.**

The founding principles of DDA Watch are that no dog is inherently dangerous by virtue of its breed alone and that, by focusing on certain breeds or types of dogs instead of placing the emphasis of responsibility on the owners and breeders of dogs, we fail to target the real core of the issue.

DDA Watch monitors issues arising as a result of canine legislation and helps to keep the general public aware of issues, while building a better picture of the problems and campaigning for change. We campaign for legislation focused on the owners of dogs, regardless of the breed or type.

DDA Watch assists dog owners who are facing legal proceedings, for example under the Dangerous Dogs Act. We advise and help dog owners in preparation for court hearings and liaise with legal defense teams, police forces, local authorities, behavioural and ID experts and the families involved in very distressing circumstances. We also follow up on cases where dogs have been released-to monitor dog welfare and provide help and advice when a dog has been released from kennels and returned home.

We actively promote responsible dog ownership, providing neutering vouchers where possible, courtesy of the Dogs Trust, directing owners to events in their area such as free micro-chipping and detailing free resources and information available on important issues such as child and dog safety, neutering and responsibilities under current legislation through our busy Facebook page which has over 30,000 supporters and is a constant hub of activity where people come together to learn, support others and our work.

DDA Watch operate several telephone helplines which run 24 hours a day, 365 days a year; our volunteers receive a large volume of calls for advice and confidential assistance every day of the week.

DDA Watch also offers a rescue and rehoming service in some situations, often rehoming case dogs that cannot be returned to their owners. We do not own our own kennels so this is dependent on funds being available to kennel the dogs needing our help. We provide life-time rescue back up for all dogs adopted from us.

DDA Watch is run entirely by dedicated volunteers who donate all of their time and efforts and its services are always free of charge, we rely solely on your donations and fund raising.

**Been Affected by The  
Dangerous Dogs Act?**

**We can provide  
confidential  
help and support**

