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Cost-Effective Road to Compulsory Micro-Chipping and Lifelong Security for Kennel Club Registered Dogs

Free microchip record changes for Kennel Club registered puppies

you may have heard that compulsory micro-chipping for all dogs will come into force on the 6 April 2016 in England and Wales. So, from April 2016 the Kennel Club and Petlog will be introducing free microchip record changes for Kennel Club registered puppies.

Once the owner changes the Kennel Club registered ownership, they will be given the opportunity to complete the requirement to transfer keepership on the Petlog database free of charge (usually £16) - this will also include an upgrade to the Petlog Premium reunification services for the life of their new puppy.

In order to receive free microchip record changes for your Kennel Club registered puppies, make sure to choose a microchip that is associated with Petlog. There are 12 microchip suppliers to choose from and you can search for your local implant at www.findapetlogimplanter.org.uk. Not all microchips are associated with Petlog and the Kennel Club, it's important to choose the right microchip supplier. www.petlog.org.uk/microchip-suppliers

Who is Petlog?

- *Petlog, managed by the Kennel Club is the UK's largest reunification database for microchip pets.
- *Government compliant microchip database with ISO 9001 and 27001 certification.
- *Member of the European Pet Network- providing support across Europe.
- *Over 20 years' experience of providing 24/7 lost and found services 365 days a year.

*More than 9 million pet owners trust Petlog to look after their pets.

What does the law say?

*All dog owners in England and Wales have until 6 April 2016 to microchip their dog and register them with a government compliant microchip database.

From 6 April 2016:

- *all puppies in England and Wales must be micro-chipped by the time they are eight weeks old.
- *The breeder must always be the first recorded keeper of the puppies.
- *It will be illegal for breeders to sell a puppy that is not micro-chipped and recorded on a government compliant microchip database, such as Petlog.
- *The breeder must provide micro-chipping documents to the puppy buyer to ensure the new owner can update the details in order to comply with the law. Readers must ensure that the microchip paperwork matches the puppy being sold to the new owner.

It is worth noting that the microchip in regulations do not affect the requirement for collars and tags as part of the Control of Dogs Order 1992.

More information on compulsory micro-chipping and the free microchip record changes for the kennel club registered puppies can be found here www.petlog.org.uk/breeders