



# Barking dog complaint

## What you need to do

### Before you start!

The majority of barking dog issues are solved by contacting the dog owner. Please refer to the **Barking Dog Management Guide** for more information.



### Complete your diary

Please make sure you keep track of the dog's barking for at least 14 consecutive days. Each time logged must be specific and accurate.



### Complete this form

Please make sure all sections are complete. Return this form and diary within seven days of completion to [pets@portphillip.vic.gov.au](mailto:pets@portphillip.vic.gov.au)



### What comes next

An Animal Management Officer will contact you to discuss your complaint.

## 1 Declaration

- ☐ By completing and sending this form, I wish to lodge a formal complaint with City of Port Phillip in relation to the dog/s described below.
- ☐ The dog/s bark persistently to such a degree that it unreasonably interferes with my peace, comfort and/or convenience in my premises.
- ☐ I make this report in the belief that a person making a false statement is liable to the penalties of perjury.

Date of declaration

Signature

## 2 Your details

First name

Last name

Your address

Email

Best phone number to contact you on

### Privacy policy

Council is collecting the personal information on this form for the purpose of gathering information applicable to this complaint. The information will be used for investigating the complaint and will not be disclosed to any other party except as required by law. If you fail to provide all of the required information, no action can be taken in regards to this complaint.

**3 Where the barking is from**

Address

Description of dog (colour and breed)

**4 Impact of the barking**

Please describe the type of barking. Eg: howling, high/low pitch, yapping etc.

How does the barking impact you? Please go into as much specific detail as possible, and describe how it consistently impacts your peace, comfort and convenience inside your home.



**Remember, penalties can apply for making a false statement. Only enter times in the diary that you know are correct and specific.**

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This is an example diary

Date	1 / 7 / 25						
Start	6:05 am	Start	8:35 am	Start	4:15 pm	Start	9:05 pm
Finish	6:15 am	Finish	8:50 am	Finish	4:35 pm	Finish	9:20 pm

Your diary must be for 14 **consecutive** days. If there was no barking that day, leave the times blank

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