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RMG/CWU National Dog Awareness Week (DAW) – 6th July to 12th July 2026 (RMG Dog Attack Statistics, CWU Members' Handout & Carousel Slides)

Dear Colleagues,

Further to LTB 184/26 and 191/26 issued over the past few weeks covering the Royal Mail Group/CWU National Dog Awareness Week (DAW), which is the joint annual event where important messages are communicated to emphasise the ongoing safety risk of dog attacks within Royal Mail and Parcelforce.

Whilst this year's DAW has now drawn to a close, please find below the following materials, which are being issued to continue to highlight the key messages around Dog Awareness throughout the year.

Dog Attacks – Statistics 2025 to 2026

Attached to this LTB is an Excel File which provides dog attack information by postcode areas across the UK, covering the years of (March) 2013/14 up to the latest figures for (March) 2025/26. The file highlights fluctuation in reported attacks by postcode areas over the past thirteen years.

Whilst recognising all of the joint RMG and CWU ongoing work and activity aimed at dog attack prevention, and the slight reduction in overall dog attacks this year, where reported attacks fell to 2,019 compared to the 2,197 dog attacks last year. The facts remain that dog attacks continue to be a major safety hazard and concern for all our members in RMG and across all areas of the UK.

CWU Members' Handout

Also attached is a CWU members' handout, which serves as an opportunity to remind all members who perform deliveries and collections in both Royal Mail and Parcelforce of wider and all-year-round Dog Awareness messages.

This member's handout, in both Word and PDF formats, will allow for relevant Branch and Area Safety Representatives (ASRs) contact details to be added.

CWU Carousel Slides

The final attachment is a Zip File of some further CWU carousel slides, 4 in total, which were issued via the CWU Communication Department on social media platforms and linked to this year's Dog Awareness Week. These slides are being shared for onward

use by Branches and Safety Reps, and to again support Dog Awareness as an all-year-round message.

In closing, it is right to place on record our thanks and appreciation to all our Reps, Branches and Safety Forums for their continuing work undertaken not just during Dog Awareness Week, but throughout the year, and in this vital area of seeking to reduce dog attacks and incidents on our members within Royal Mail and Parcelforce.

Any enquiries to this LTB should be referred to the DGS(P) Department email address: Hford@cwu.org/ACorbett@cwu.org.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Walsh

Deputy General Secretary (Postal)

Fiscal Year 2013/14
Animal Type Final Dog

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
S	100
G	90
NG	69
LS	68
NE	67
PE	64
YO	60
BT	59
Not assigned	54
GU	54
LE	53
CF	52
CM	51
CV	51
TN	50
BS	50
DN	48
IP	48
CO	46
ST	42
PL	41
WF	40
AB	40
PO	39
BN	39
ME	39
GL	38
SS	37
NR	37
M	37
B	36
NN	36
RG	35
LN	34
SO	32
ML	30
OX	30
LL	30
TS	29
SA	29
BA	28
MK	27
EX	27
EH	27

Fiscal Year 2014/15
Animal Type Final Dog

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
S	80
G	72
NG	66
BT	62
PE	60
PL	57
TN	55
PO	54
YO	50
LS	49
BN	46
CF	46
GU	46
ME	46
BS	43
IP	43
CV	42
Not assigned	41
NE	41
BA	41
B	41
CM	40
RH	39
NN	38
LE	38
DE	38
DN	36
LN	36
CO	34
AB	34
GL	33
M	33
TS	32
KY	31
EX	31
EH	31
ST	30
DD	30
NR	29
L	28
RG	28
MK	28
SY	27
SN	26

BH	27	WF	26
OL	27	CB	26
PR	27	SS	26
DL	27	DL	26
SG	26	SO	25
DD	26	OX	25
SK	25	CH	24
CH	25	WR	23
KA	24	SK	23
RM	24	SE	21
TR	24	PH	21
NP	24	OL	20
SY	23	RM	20
L	23	WA	20
CB	23	SA	20
LA	23	HU	20
DE	23	ML	20
HU	22	NP	20
LU	22	LL	20
IV	22	EN	19
RH	21	LA	19
N	21	SG	19
TA	21	IV	18
CW	21	TA	18
CT	20	KA	18
TQ	20	TR	17
CA	20	LU	17
SW	20	AL	17
BD	20	CT	17
DH	19	DT	17
DT	19	HD	17
EN	19	DH	17
E	19	HP	16
DY	19	NW	15
HR	18	DG	15
WA	18	PA	15
NW	18	DA	15
HD	18	E	14
DA	17	CW	14
SP	17	BD	14
SN	16	CA	14
WR	16	BH	14
SR	15	WD	13
BB	15	FK	12
AL	14	BB	12
PA	14	N	12
KT	14	KT	12
SE	13	TQ	11

WS	13	PR	11
PH	13	WV	11
WD	13	SP	10
SL	13	WS	10
DG	13	UB	10
KY	12	HG	10
FK	11	WN	9
WN	11	CR	9
BL	10	SR	9
HP	10	W	9
TW	9	FY	8
CR	9	BR	8
UB	9	DY	8
TF	9	SW	8
HG	8	HR	8
WV	8	HX	7
BR	8	BL	6
TD	7	TW	6
FY	7	TF	6
W	7	HA	6
HX	6	SL	5
HS	4	SM	4
SM	4	TD	4
HA	3	HS	3
IG	3	IG	3
KW	2	KW	3
ZE	2	ZE	2
LD	2	LD	1
EC	1	Grand Total	2899
Grand Total	3209		

Fiscal Year 2015/16
Animal Type Final Dog

Fiscal Year
Animal Type Final

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
PE	67
NG	63
BT	56
S	56
TN	54
RG	52
PL	50
LS	49
NE	47
DE	45
YO	45
G	43
GU	43
BA	43
OX	42
BN	42
BS	41
PO	40
B	39
LE	39
SN	38
EX	38
SG	35
ME	35
DN	35
CT	34
NR	34
LL	34
CV	31
ST	29
L	28
AB	28
NN	27
WF	27
SA	26
DD	26
HP	26
TS	26
CB	25
M	25
CM	25
Not assigned	25
EH	25
CF	25

Row Labels
BT
PE
BN
GU
S
ME
TN
LS
NG
BS
YO
G
RH
NE
B
PO
PL
OX
NN
CT
CF
EX
WF
DN
BD
TS
IP
L
SN
GL
BH
LN
CV
NP
BA
RG
CO
LE
CM
AB
SO
DD
CB
M

MK	25	ST
CO	25	LL
GL	24	SS
LN	23	EH
TA	23	MK
SO	22	WR
SS	22	TA
IP	22	WA
SK	21	CH
BL	21	KA
TR	21	DE
WA	21	SW
BH	21	SA
RM	20	WD
OL	20	HP
KT	20	HU
KA	20	DL
HU	20	SG
RH	20	NR
PH	19	TW
DH	19	Not assigned
SY	18	UB
HD	17	HR
SP	16	SE
WR	16	IV
CH	16	N
ML	16	FK
TQ	16	CW
PR	16	LU
DL	15	E
SL	14	ML
BD	14	DH
CA	14	SR
SE	14	RM
SR	14	DT
E	13	KY
IV	13	TR
KY	12	SP
TD	12	WN
HR	12	KT
HG	12	NW
LU	12	DA
AL	11	OL
FY	11	IG
UB	11	LA
EN	11	PH
NP	10	SY
PA	10	PA

FK	10	BL
HX	8	CR
NW	8	TD
DA	8	HD
CR	8	DY
N	8	DG
DG	8	BR
WS	8	SK
SW	8	EN
BB	7	AL
TW	7	TQ
DT	7	WV
CW	6	FY
SM	6	CA
LA	6	SL
HA	6	HX
WV	5	HG
DY	5	HA
WD	5	KW
WN	5	W
W	5	WS
TF	4	BB
BR	4	PR
KW	3	TF
HS	1	SM
IG	1	ZE
Grand Total	2635	EC
		HS
		Grand Total

2016/17	Fiscal Year	2017/18
Dog	Animal Type Final	Dog

Count of ERICA Reference ID	Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
67	BT	79
62	BN	59
57	PE	56
57	TN	47
51	PO	45
50	ME	41
49	PL	40
45	S	39
43	RH	39
42	CO	39
42	GU	38
41	AB	38
39	CF	36
39	NE	34
37	G	33
36	NN	33
35	LS	33
35	IP	33
34	LE	33
33	LL	33
32	BS	32
32	MK	32
32	M	30
30	EX	29
30	GL	29
29	NG	29
29	BA	28
29	CM	27
28	NP	27
28	L	26
28	SO	26
28	OX	26
27	BH	26
27	HP	26
27	TS	25
27	HU	25
27	SA	23
26	YO	23
25	LN	22
24	RG	22
23	TQ	21
22	DD	20
22	WA	20
21	OL	20

21	DN	20
21	ST	19
20	NR	19
20	TA	19
20	CH	19
20	KY	19
19	CB	19
19	DE	18
19	LU	18
19	WF	17
18	B	17
18	SP	17
18	KA	17
17	DH	17
17	SN	16
17	SE	16
17	CV	16
16	EH	16
16	SY	15
15	SG	15
15	CT	15
15	ML	15
14	WR	15
14	IV	14
14	BR	14
14	SK	14
14	AL	14
14	SW	13
14	HR	13
13	BL	13
13	SL	12
13	TR	12
12	DT	11
12	KT	11
12	TW	11
12	SR	11
12	DL	10
11	N	10
11	RM	10
11	E	10
11	DA	10
11	SS	10
11	CR	10
10	W	9
10	FK	9
10	BB	9
10	EN	9
10	DY	9

10	FY	9
10	LA	9
10	CW	9
10	PR	9
10	PH	8
9	WN	8
9	BD	8
9	PA	7
9	HA	7
8	DG	7
8	HX	7
8	CA	6
8	HG	6
7	HD	6
7	WD	5
7	UB	5
7	WV	5
7	SM	5
7	Not assigned	4
6	HS	4
6	TD	3
5	IG	3
5	LD	3
4	KW	3
4	NW	3
3	TF	2
2	WS	2
2	ZE	1
2454	Grand Total	2268

Fiscal Year 2018/19
Animal Type Final Dog

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
BT	70
BN	65
TN	64
S	62
NG	56
PO	52
GU	51
PE	49
RH	48
B	45
LS	43
DE	41
LE	41
PL	40
ME	39
CM	38
DN	37
EX	37
CO	36
BS	36
BH	36
RG	36
IP	35
LN	35
NP	33
SA	33
GL	31
NN	31
AB	31
SS	29
NE	27
CV	26
TR	26
G	26
SO	25
WA	25
CB	25
SN	24
HP	23
OX	23
CF	23
KA	23
DL	22
YO	22

Fiscal Year 2019/20
Animal Type Final Dog

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
BT	75
PO	63
S	63
BN	53
TN	51
EX	51
GU	50
G	48
CM	44
RH	41
IP	41
GL	39
DN	39
PL	38
CF	38
NG	38
SA	37
AB	37
B	36
NP	35
PE	35
LS	34
LE	34
CH	33
BH	32
BS	31
SE	31
DE	31
NE	29
OX	29
CO	29
ME	28
SO	27
ST	27
SK	25
LL	25
CV	25
TA	25
NN	24
RG	23
L	23
WA	22
SN	22
HU	21

SK	21	MK	21
SP	21	DT	20
TS	20	AL	20
CT	20	SS	20
SG	20	WN	20
HU	20	ML	20
WF	19	BA	20
SY	19	HP	19
ST	19	TS	19
RM	19	M	19
MK	19	KA	19
PH	19	OL	19
OL	18	TR	18
L	18	LN	18
M	18	KT	18
CW	17	WR	18
NR	17	EH	18
CH	16	RM	17
LU	16	E	17
BA	16	YO	16
WR	16	CT	16
FK	16	LU	16
TA	16	UB	16
DH	16	CB	16
BL	16	DD	16
EH	15	NR	16
IV	15	CA	15
SE	15	IV	15
CA	15	SY	14
DD	15	SG	14
TQ	14	EN	13
LL	14	BB	13
UB	13	SP	13
AL	12	FK	12
SW	12	N	12
E	11	WF	12
DT	11	SW	11
KT	11	PA	11
CR	11	WD	11
BD	10	BL	11
EN	10	NW	11
PA	9	DY	11
PR	9	LA	11
KY	9	HR	10
HR	9	DL	10
WN	9	TQ	10
ML	9	PH	10
TF	9	DH	9

BB	9	W	9
NW	8	SR	9
WD	8	SL	8
BR	8	KY	8
DA	8	LD	8
SL	8	TW	8
N	8	PR	8
TW	8	CW	7
HD	8	HD	7
WS	7	DG	7
TD	7	DA	6
W	7	BR	5
LD	6	WS	5
DY	6	SM	5
HA	6	BD	5
LA	6	IG	4
DG	6	FY	4
HX	5	HA	3
FY	4	TF	3
Not assigned	4	ZE	3
HG	4	HX	2
ZE	3	HG	1
WV	3	EC	1
KW	3	KW	1
SR	2	CR	1
SM	1	TD	1
IG	1	Grand Total	2442
EC	1		
Grand Total	2494		

Fiscal Year 2020/21
Animal Type Final Dog

Fiscal Year
Animal Type Final

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
BN	58
S	55
BT	49
PO	43
IP	41
TN	39
GL	35
NG	33
AB	31
BS	30
BA	29
EX	29
CM	28
NE	28
RH	28
GU	27
CH	25
DE	25
BH	24
CF	24
SO	24
DN	24
G	24
ST	21
B	21
NN	21
NP	21
LE	21
TS	20
LS	20
MK	19
OX	19
PE	19
PL	18
RG	18
CV	17
IV	16
HU	16
SP	16
ME	16
KA	16
CO	16
SK	16
SN	15

Row Labels
S
BT
TN
SA
BN
NG
OX
NE
PO
EX
PL
SN
B
GU
DE
BS
DN
GL
BH
BA
CM
CF
CO
CT
ME
RG
NN
LE
LS
NP
RH
IP
ST
G
AB
CH
PE
EH
HU
TS
SO
IV
SY
BB

LN	15	LN
L	15	CB
DT	14	CV
WA	14	SG
BD	14	LL
SS	13	KT
DD	13	WF
LL	13	FK
WF	12	SE
SA	12	CW
YO	12	SS
BB	12	KA
HP	12	BD
EH	12	TR
FK	12	DA
TQ	11	DD
ML	11	LA
CT	11	YO
DA	10	L
DH	10	PA
NR	10	CA
CB	10	TQ
AL	9	PH
TA	9	OL
PH	9	MK
LU	9	WR
WR	9	ML
WS	9	DT
CA	8	RM
OL	8	TA
LA	8	NR
DL	8	UB
PR	8	DL
PA	8	WS
KT	8	HP
M	8	SP
BL	8	M
SY	8	AL
KY	7	WA
E	7	SK
HR	7	E
SE	7	KY
SG	7	EN
HD	7	N
RM	6	NW
SW	6	LU
CW	6	HR
TF	6	HD

CR	5	WN
SL	5	IG
EN	5	SL
SR	5	TW
TR	5	BL
BR	5	TF
TD	5	LD
N	4	DH
FY	4	SR
W	4	ZE
HX	4	CR
WD	4	W
WN	4	DY
UB	4	KW
DG	4	SM
SM	3	FY
HA	3	PR
TW	2	SW
LD	2	HX
NW	2	DG
WV	2	HA
IG	2	HG
ZE	1	TD
KW	1	WD
EC	1	WV
DY	1	BR
Grand Total	1690	Grand Total

2021/22

Dog

Fiscal Year

2022/23

Animal Type Final Dog

Count of ERICA Reference ID

Row Labels

Count of ERICA Reference ID

51	TN	65
50	BT	56
44	S	50
37	PO	49
37	BS	42
37	SA	41
35	EX	38
35	NG	37
34	BN	34
32	OX	34
31	CF	32
30	NE	31
29	DE	30
29	GU	29
28	CH	28
27	NN	28
26	AB	27
26	ST	27
26	GL	27
26	CO	26
24	CM	26
23	LE	26
23	PL	26
21	IP	26
21	SN	25
21	ME	25
21	HP	23
20	B	22
20	DN	22
20	SO	21
19	RH	21
19	NP	21
18	G	21
18	RG	21
18	CT	20
18	IV	20
18	LN	20
16	BA	20
15	BH	20
15	YO	20
15	LL	19
15	HU	18
15	LS	18
15	L	18

15	DH	17
14	RM	17
14	PE	17
14	TA	16
14	SE	16
13	PH	16
13	NW	16
13	TR	15
12	TS	14
12	TQ	14
12	N	14
12	DL	14
12	CV	14
11	SW	13
11	LA	13
11	OL	13
11	WA	13
11	FK	13
10	DA	12
10	LU	12
10	MK	12
10	WR	12
10	KY	11
9	SG	11
9	BD	11
9	TW	10
9	PA	10
9	BL	10
9	SP	10
8	SR	10
8	W	10
8	SS	10
8	NR	10
8	SY	10
8	PR	10
8	WD	9
7	CB	9
7	WF	9
7	M	9
7	EN	9
7	E	9
7	KT	8
6	UB	8
6	WN	8
6	CW	8
6	SL	8
6	SK	7
6	DD	7

6	HD	7
6	BB	7
6	DT	7
6	KA	7
5	WS	7
5	EH	7
5	HR	6
4	AL	6
4	FY	6
4	CA	5
4	CR	5
4	HA	4
3	ML	4
3	HX	4
3	IG	4
3	DY	4
3	WV	3
3	KW	3
3	ZE	2
2	LD	2
2	SM	2
2	TF	2
2	HG	2
2	BR	2
1	EC	2
1	TD	1
1673	DG	1
	Grand Total	1916

Fiscal Year
Animal Type Final

2023/24
Dog

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
PO	62
BT	62
BS	48
BN	48
PL	44
NG	42
TN	42
GU	42
S	41
EX	40
SN	40
OX	38
NN	34
GL	33
DE	33
CM	32
ME	32
DN	32
NE	32
ST	30
HP	30
LE	29
G	28
IP	27
B	27
SO	27
SA	26
RG	26
NP	26
CF	26
SG	25
BH	25
IV	24
AB	24
TS	24
RH	24
MK	24
NR	24
CO	23
SE	22
CT	22
HU	22
YO	22
LN	22

CH	21
WA	21
SS	20
EH	20
WF	19
TA	18
PE	18
DD	18
SP	18
KA	18
LS	18
WR	17
M	17
DA	17
CV	17
E	16
BB	16
BD	16
NW	16
RM	15
DL	15
DH	15
TR	15
FK	14
LA	14
KT	14
PA	13
KY	13
SY	13
CB	13
LL	13
L	12
ML	12
BA	12
PR	11
UB	11
TW	11
SK	11
WS	11
N	10
BL	9
TQ	9
SR	9
WD	8
LU	8
HD	8
HG	8
DT	8

SL	8
AL	8
HR	8
DY	8
WV	7
PH	7
CR	6
BR	6
CW	6
SW	5
W	5
EN	5
WN	4
OL	4
FY	4
TD	4
KW	4
CA	4
HX	3
DG	3
SM	3
IG	3
HA	3
ZE	2
TF	2
EC	1
LD	1
Grand Total	2206

Fiscal Year
Animal Type Final

2024/25
Dog

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
S	66
PO	60
TN	56
GU	54
NG	49
CM	47
BN	47
BT	45
NE	45
SN	44
DN	42
ST	40
PL	37
CF	35
WF	34
NP	32
EX	31
RH	31
GL	30
OX	29
NN	28
CO	28
YO	28
CV	27
G	27
CH	26
LE	26
TS	26
ME	26
KY	25
DE	25
SA	25
SP	24
NR	24
LS	24
HU	22
B	22
SO	22
BS	21
IV	21
BH	21
SY	20
RG	20
TQ	20

SG	20
TR	19
SE	19
PE	18
IP	18
L	18
SK	18
AB	18
DH	17
BA	17
CT	16
LN	16
BD	16
TA	16
WR	16
EH	16
M	16
LL	16
WA	15
HP	15
SS	14
MK	14
DL	14
PH	14
LU	14
KT	13
RM	13
DD	13
PR	12
CW	12
KA	12
ML	12
SW	11
NW	11
N	11
CB	10
OL	10
TW	10
DT	10
SR	10
LA	9
HX	8
FK	8
BB	8
CR	8
WS	8
DA	8
SL	8

PA	7
IG	7
UB	7
HD	7
E	7
HG	6
BR	6
FY	6
HR	6
DY	6
DG	5
W	5
CA	5
TF	4
WN	4
EN	4
HA	4
LD	4
WV	3
EC	3
WD	3
BL	3
AL	2
TD	2
KW	2
ZE	1
SM	1
Grand Total	2197

Fiscal Year
Animal Type Final

2025/26
Dog

Row Labels	Count of ERICA Reference ID
S	61
DN	53
GU	53
NE	50
PO	50
NG	48
SA	44
BT	37
ME	36
TN	35
YO	35
LE	34
ST	31
NR	30
DE	30
RH	30
GL	30
IP	29
PL	28
BN	28
SN	27
CM	27
LS	27
BH	27
CF	26
B	25
WF	25
OX	25
CV	24
TR	24
RG	23
TS	23
BD	23
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IG	2
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WD	2
KW	1
Grand Total	2019

Dog Awareness – CWU Members Handout

Dear Colleague,

Monday, 6th July saw the launch of this year's Royal Mail Group/CWU National Dog Awareness Week (DAW), which is the joint annual event where important messages are communicated to emphasise the ongoing safety risk of dog attacks.

National DAW offers a real opportunity to remind the public of their legal and moral responsibilities to control their dogs and prevent dog attacks on Royal Mail Group employees. It also serves as an opportunity to remind CWU members who perform deliveries and collections in both Royal Mail and Parcelforce of the following, all-year-round **Dog Awareness** messages:

AVOID a dog attack

AVOID – Interaction with all dogs.

VALUE – Yourself. 38 dog attacks each week occurred between the end of March 2025 and March 2026.

OBSERVE – Keep your duty log and prep frame up to date.

INFORM – Your colleagues of risks, report hazards to your manager. Report all dog attacks and near misses.

DEFEND – Yourself if necessary, using your delivery equipment.

Further messages

- Always err on the side of caution.
- Don't enter properties where dogs are running loose.
- Don't assume a dog won't bite, as any dog can be aggressive.
- Don't accept an owner's word that their dog will not bite.
- Look for the presence of dogs. Signs on gates, walls and windows, cages in vehicles, toys in gardens.
- Rattle the gate to warn a potential dog of your presence.
- When calling the gate with an item, ask the customer to put their dog away and step well back from the doorstep to maintain a safe distance. If the customer needs to leave the doorstep to fetch ID or another item, politely ask them to close the door/secure the dog.
- Don't put fingers through the letterbox (use your Posting Peg, the palm of your hand or a safe alternative).
- If you cannot get mail through the door without using your fingers, don't do it.
- For undelivered mail, use a P6705 sticker when you return to the unit to endorse the mail item.

Also:

- Report all dog attack incidents and near misses.
- Remember to report significant dog hazards and inform the manager of any increase in risk/changes. This needs to be captured on ORA (Offsite Risk Assessment).
- Mark your frame with a yellow dot where there is a significant dog hazard. Remove any yellow dots on frames no longer appropriate (e.g. the dog no longer resides there).
- Put 'D' on the envelope and parcels to remind yourself of known dog hazards when you are out on your route.

On ☐ Mon ☐ Tue ☐ Wed ☐ Thur ☐ Fri ☐ Sat	
The following risk prevented us from delivering this item	
☐ Dog loose on your premises	
☐ Dog loose in the street	
☐ Premises inaccessible due to dangerous conditions	
☐ Street inaccessible due to dangerous conditions	
Other reason	
Duty No.	Initials Date
P6705	

For more information or for any support or assistance regarding this subject or a Dog Attack, please speak to your local CWU Safety Rep, Area Safety Rep or contact your Branch Office:

— DOG AWARENESS WEEK —

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

**A postal worker is
attacked by a dog every
4 hours in the UK.**

CWU
The communications union

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5 types of dog are banned in England and Wales under Section 1 of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991.



**PIT BULL
TERRIER**



**JAPANESE
TOSA**



**DOGO
ARGENTINO**



**FILA
BRASILEIRO**



**XL
BULLY**

**THE XL BULLY
WAS ADDED
TO THE LIST IN
2024, BANNING
THOUSANDS
MORE DOGS.**

**BANNED DOESN'T ALWAYS MEAN REMOVED.
IF OWNERS MEET STRICT CONDITIONS THEY CAN KEEP THEIR DOG FOR LIFE.**

REQUIREMENTS



MUZZLED AND ON A LEAD IN PUBLIC



A SECURE HOME TO PREVENT ESCAPE



**LIVING AT THE SAME ADDRESS
AS THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER**



**MICROCHIP AVAILABLE FOR
POLICE/WARDEN CHECKS**

But as of 1st July 2026, one protection was removed.

**CONTINUOUS THIRD-PARTY LIABILITY
INSURANCE IS NO LONGER COMPULSORY**



That insurance was one of the only routes victims had to fast, direct compensation if one of these dogs attacked them.

Insurance or not, the law hasn't changed
on this: **attacks are still a crime.**
If a CWU member, or anyone, is attacked at a
property, or at the letterbox - that's a crime
under **Section 3 of the Dangerous Dogs Act.**

**IF YOU'RE A POSTAL, DELIVERY OR
TELECOMMUNICATIONS WORKER:**

Report every attack and near miss to your
manager. Report crimes:

 **999** (*in progress*)  **101** (*after the event*).

**IF YOU'RE A DOG OWNER
OR MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC:**

CWU is calling on the Government to reverse
the decision to scrap compulsory insurance for
exempted banned dogs. Share this post to back
safer conditions for our members.

