# Working dog declaration



### Please read this first

This form will be scanned by electronic equipment. It is important that you:

- use a blue or black pen to complete this form; and
- print clearly.

Tararua District Council Animal Control recognises the following breeds of dogs as standard working dog breeds: Huntaway, Heading Dog, Border Collie, Smithfield, Kelpie, and Australian Cattle Dog.

Dogs that are used for hunting, or on farm pest control are not exempt from microchipping and are not classed as a working dog for microchipping purposes.

Should you wish to claim any other breed of dog as a working dog, you may be required to provide a practical demonstration of the dog's ability.

Please provide identification of owner with this form i.e. driver's licence, passport etc.

## **Dog Control Act 1996**

#### Section 2 - Interpretation

The definition of a "working dog" and "stock" are described overleaf.

### Section 40(1) - Proof of class of dog

Where the territorial authority fixes a fee for the registration of a working dog that is lower than that fixed for a dog that is not a working dog, any person claiming to register any dog as a working dog shall, if so required by the territorial authority, make a written statement that the dog is a working dog of a specified class.

Section 19A – Power of constable, dog control officer, or dog ranger to request information about dog

(1) A constable, dog control officer, or dog ranger may, for the

- purposes of this Act, request the owner of a dog to state the name, gender, and a description of the dog.
- (2) Every person commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000 who, without reasonable excuse, fails to comply with a lawful request under subsection (1), or wilfully provides false information in response to a request to provide the information.

## Penalty for false statement

Failure to supply information and/or wilfully providing false particulars about any dog may result in a \$750.00 infringement notice being issued.

Statement of owner regarding classification of working dog					
I, Full name of applicant					
of					
Physical address					
O	0 - Work phone numb	er	0 Mobile pl	hone number	
hereby state that the following dog(s) are in fact of the working dog type and therefore exempt from microchipping.					
Dog name B	reed	Colour	Sex Age	Tag No.	Dog ID
2.					
3.					
4.					
I have fully read the definition of a working dog and the definition of stock. I understand the Proof of Class and have read the section titled 'Penalty for False Statement'.					
Signature of applicant				Date	/ 2 , 0 , ,
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## Dog Control Act 1996, Section 2

### working dog means-

- (a) any disability assist dog:
- (b) any dog-
  - (i) kept by the Police or any constable, the New Zealand Customs Service, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, the Ministry of Fisheries, or the Ministry of Defence, or any officer or employee of any such department of State solely or principally for the purposes of carrying out the functions, powers, and duties of the Police or the department of State or that constable, officer, or employee; or
  - (ii) kept solely or principally for the purposes of herding or driving stock; or
  - (iii) kept by the Department of Conservation or any officer or employee of that department solely or principally for the purposes of carrying out the functions, duties, and powers of that department; or
  - (iv) kept solely or principally for the purposes of destroying pests or pest agents under any pest management plan under the Biosecurity Act 1993; or
  - (iva) kept by the Department of Corrections or any officer or employee of that department solely or principally for the purposes of carrying out the functions, duties, and powers of that department; or
  - (ivb) kept by the Aviation Security Service established under section 72B(2)(ca) of the Civil Aviation Act 1990, or any officer or employee of that service solely

- or principally for the purposes of carrying out the functions, duties, and powers of that service; or
- (ivc) certified for use by the Director of Civil Defence Emergency Management for the purposes of carrying out the functions, duties, and powers conferred by the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002; or
- (v) owned by a property guard as defined in section 9 of the Private Security Personnel and Private Investigators Act 2010 or a property guard employee as defined in section 17 of that Act, and kept solely or principally for the purpose of doing the things specified in section 9(1)(a) to (c) of that Act; or
- (vi) declared by resolution of the territorial authority to be a working dog for the purposes of this Act, or any dog of a class so declared by the authority, being a dog owned by any class of persons specified in the resolution and kept solely or principally for the purposes specified in the resolution.

#### stock means—

- (a) any live horse, cattle, sheep, swine, alpaca, llama, bison, donkey, hinny, mule, or water buffalo that is not in a wild state:
- (b) any deer, goat, tahr, rabbit, possum, or other animal that is kept within a fence or enclosure for domestic or farming purposes.