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### You are:

- **Responsible** for a dog(s) behaviour in your care (owner or not)
- Urged to have dog(s) fitted with **ID chip**
- To fit a **collar** to dog(s) that include name & address (with exceptions)



### You can:

- Report stray dog(s) to local authority wardens
- Get professional help/training with animal behaviour problems
- Keep alert for dog thieves



### Important:

- Dog(s) can be considered dangerous/out of control in public places even if no one is hurt...use a **lead** to reduce the risk.



### It's not alright to:

- Encourage a fierce dog(s) to wander, attack or frighten people/animals
- Deliberately allow dog(s) to fight each other
- Allow dog(s) to worry livestock; they can be shot in these cases
- Have Pitbulls, Tosas or other designated dog(s) banned in UK
- Leave pet(s) in vehicles without ventilation & water



### It is unfair to:

- Allow dog(s) to foul in public places, **bag it & bin it!**
- Allow persistent noise (barking, howling)

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