



Barking Dog Nuisance Complaint Form

APPLICANT DETAILS

Title:	Given Name(s)	Surname / Last Name
<input type="text" value="Mr/Mrs/Ms"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Company Name:	<input type="text"/>	
Contact Address:	Unit / House - Number	
	<input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>	
Street	<input type="text"/>	
Suburb:	<input type="text"/>	State: <input type="text"/> Postcode: <input type="text"/>
Phone:	<input type="text"/>	*Fax <input type="text"/> *Mobile <input type="text"/>
*Email:	<input type="text"/>	

*Voluntary information only. (Assists with timely processing of your application. See Privacy and Personal Information Act Statement over)

DETAILS OF OFFENDING DOG/S

I hereby advise Council that dog(s) which are ordinarily kept at the property known as:
House No: _____ Street: _____ Suburb: _____
persistently and unreasonably interfere with the peace and comfort of my premises and is/are
a problem for the following reasons: *(describe when and how the barking affects you)*

There is/are _____ dog(s) that are ordinarily kept at the abovementioned address,
the alleged offending dog(s) is/are described as:

Dog 1) Breed _____ sex _____ age _____

Dog 2) Breed _____ sex _____ age _____

Dog 3) Breed _____ sex _____ age _____

Others: _____

Owners often don't know that their dog is barking excessively, particularly when the barking is primarily occurring whilst they are away from their premises.

I **have / have not** approached the owner/s of the dog/s and their response was: _____

Barking dogs are a very difficult issue for Council to deal with because:

- There are different ideas from residents about what is considered too much barking;
- Gathering evidence can be time-consuming and difficult for the residents involved;
- Council require a written record from other neighbours to prove the barking is persistent enough to verify the dog is barking to a nuisance level; and
- Many residents are reluctant to become involved. All dogs are expected to bark, without the written evidence, Council is not in a position to prove that the dog is barking to an unacceptable level.
- For further information: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/noise/barkingdogs.htm

Council wishes to advise you of your right to take independent action and, should you wish to pursue the matter on a civil basis, you may make an appointment to speak to the Chamber Magistrate at the Camden Local Court.

DECLARATION

I hereby request Camden Council to further investigate this complaint on my behalf. Should it be necessary to instigate court proceedings if the barking persists I undertake to:

- give further detailed information to the Council as requested by the Authorised Officer;
- appear in Court to give evidence as a witness to the truth and validity of the complaint.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

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