

## **PROTECTION LEGISLATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **1 Purpose**

- To assist and advise the VCA Management Committee in meeting its obligations to members in relation to any proposed legislation relating to the keeping of dogs and, in particular, any Breed Specific Legislation.
- To monitor and evaluate any such legislation at Local, State, National, or International level.
- To establish and develop an early warning system in order to be proactive in the above.
- Advise the office on media contacts able to help in achieving the above.
- To liaise with other VCA Committees where appropriate (eg. Promotions Committee / Canine Health Committee )."
- To assist with raising fighting funds for designated specific issues.

### **2 Committee Membership**

The Committee shall be made up of VCA Member/s who have been approved by the VCA Committee of Management. New members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Committee of Management on the recommendation of the Committee. Committee members may be replaced by the Committee of Management.

### **3 Meeting Frequency**

The Committee shall meet as often as it determines necessary but not less frequently than on a quarterly basis. The Committee may request the attendance of the CE or Committee of Management Members as long as 14 day's notice is given.

### **4 Matters for VCA Committee of Management**

The minutes of each Committee meeting shall be forwarded to the VCA within seven days of the meeting. Actions for the VCA Committee of Management should be placed on a face sheet attached to the minutes titled "Actions for VCA Committee of Management".

### **5 Other Matters**

- The Chair of the Committee shall meet with the President and Committee of Management of the VCA on the 4th Wednesday of April each year.
- The Committee shall perform an annual performance evaluation of itself.
- The Committee shall review the adequacy of its Charter annually.
- The Committee shall provide a report for the Annual Report by January 15th of each year.

### **6 VCA Contact Person**

**JO CERDA** (The person in the VCA Office who handles the actions requested by the Committee, e.g. letters sent on Committee's behalf.)