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As a Queenslanders living in a civilised society, I am appalled about the lack of adequate regulation, standards and guidelines for puppy farms. These regulations should include:


1. Compulsory regular health checks for breeding dogs and all puppies before sale
2. Limiting litter numbers per breeding female to no more than three
3. Compulsory desexing for puppies sold and retired breeding dogs and also rehoming program
4. Proper housing/space, exercise, enrichment allowing for normal behaviours, as well as regular human contact
5. Compulsory record keeping
6. Limiting total number of breeding dogs on any property to a maximum of 10

- The legislation should cover all dogs including working dogs.
- Anyone guilty of animal welfare offences, including having unregistered breeding animals, should have their permit revoked along with the associated property, significant financial penalties to act as deterrent, and animals seized.
- Additional resources need to be made available to the RSPCA Qld or/and Queensland Police to investigate and enforce these animal welfare laws.
- The sale of pets in pet shops should be banned (unless sourced from reputable shelters/rescue groups)

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