

From  
£200  
+ VAT for  
a year

## The Doglaw Club Terms & Conditions

1. The Doglaw Club is a trading name of Cooper & Co Solicitors. We are regulated & authorised by the Solicitors Regulation Authority SRA 258139. Our privacy policy and complaints procedure can be found at [www.doglaw.co.uk](http://www.doglaw.co.uk). We are a separate business from Doglaw Limited.
2. Membership of The Doglaw Club is available for dog and/or cat rescues, shelters or similar organisations based in England & Wales and the payment made is by way of a retainer to Cooper & Co Solicitors. If your request to join is approved, your membership will continue for a year. The date the membership starts will be the date we post our confirmation letter to you ("the commencement date")
3. We reserve the right to decline your request to join or renew your membership.
4. The payment in (2) is non-refundable unless
  - a. We decline your request to join or renew, in which case a full refund will be made as soon as possible, or
  - b. You cancel within 14 days of the commencement date, in which case payment for any of the benefits you have received during that period will be deducted from the refund
5. You cannot transfer any of the benefits of membership of The Doglaw Club to any individual or other organisation
6. These terms and conditions may be changed at any time by us giving you 30 days' notice
7. You only get the benefits of telephone advice, and reduced cost representation if the cause or matter initially arises during the course of your membership of The Doglaw Club.
8. We can only assist with matters which relate to the law in England & Wales

## Additional terms and conditions for FREE telephone advice on Doglaw issues

9. The advice will be provided by Cooper & Co Solicitors. Although Trevor Cooper is the Principal of Cooper & Co Solicitors we cannot guarantee that he will be the lawyer who will provide the advice
10. The advice is a telephone service only. The lines are open during normal office hours.
11. The advice is available by prior appointment (although in many cases the appointment will be for the same working day)
12. The advice will only be provided for an issue relating to dogs and/or cats and the law as specified in this leaflet. For the avoidance of doubt, advice will not be provided on the following matters: business law; planning; defamation; housing; employment; health & safety; taxation;

the drafting of terms and conditions; the drafting of pleadings or statements.

13. The advice will not be provided if (a) there is a conflict of interest (or a potential conflict of interest), or (b) if it is a matter in which Cooper & Co have no expertise
14. We reserve the right to impose a limit on the number and/or length of advice calls if your use of the service is excessive, unfair or prevents other members from being able to use the service
15. Cooper & Co Solicitors has professional indemnity insurance with Travelers Insurance Company Limited
16. If you have a complaint about the advice provided by Cooper & Co please write to Trevor Cooper at 19 Palace Street, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 2DZ. If that fails to resolve your complaint you may bring it to the attention of the Legal Ombudsman at PO Box 6806, Wolverhampton, WV1 6WJ.

## Additional terms and conditions for reduced cost representation

17. Cooper & Co Solicitors will only act for you provided that (a) we believe you have a reasonable chance of success (b) there is no conflict (or potential conflict) of interest, and (c) we have sufficient expertise and capacity to properly deal with the case
18. The discount is 25% off Cooper & Co Solicitors usual hourly charging rate for casework. You will still remain responsible for payment of the balance of Cooper & Co Solicitors' fees as well as the full amount of Counsel's fees, Court fees and any other disbursements.
19. We will not pay for any fines, penalties, opponent's costs, compensation or damages which you may be ordered to pay by a court or other authority.



If you join, your rescue will get the  
following fantastic benefits for a year:

- ★ FREE: telephone advice\*
- ★ REDUCED COST: representation\*
- ★ HALF PRICE SEMINARS

Let Trevor Cooper and the rest of the team at Cooper & Co Solicitors be your friends at the end of a phone. We'd never say "It's only a dog".

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**As a member of The Doglaw Club your rescue gets the following benefits for a year...**

### **1. FREE telephone advice\* on Doglaw issues:**

- Ownership disputes including
  - Attempts by owners to reclaim a dog if they change their mind
  - Impact of no consent from a purported co-owner
  - Lack of capacity issues
  - Impact of failure to complete / retain paperwork
  - Dog brought in by a family member or relative without the owner's consent
  - Claims by breeders for a dog's return
  - Impact of 'rescue back-up'
  - Dogs brought in by the Police / Social services



- Enforcement of clauses in adoption agreements
- Enforcement of clauses in fostering agreements
- If one of your organisation's dogs is alleged to have attacked / injured a person, livestock or any other animal
- If someone is claiming compensation from you for personal injury from a dog
- A claim arising from a dog on dog incident
- Noise nuisance
- Potential claims against a vet for negligence / misconduct
- Breed specific legislation
- Community Protection Notices (+ warnings) on a dog
- Public Spaces Protection Orders relating to dogs
- Microchipping issues with databases
- We can also advise on the law on cats on any of the above issues

### **2. Half price**

50% off any seminars (or webinars) provided by Doglaw Limited or Cooper & Co.

### **3. Reduced cost representation\*\***

Reduction in Cooper & Co's fees for any casework on Doglaw criminal or civil disputes. This will reduce our hourly charging rate by 25%.



## **How to become a member**

**CALL US ON 01227 20 33 20 or email us on [admin@doglaw.co.uk](mailto:admin@doglaw.co.uk)**

No two dog organisations are the same and so membership will be tailored just for you. The smaller you are, the lower our prices will be. Membership will vary according to your income for the last 12 month accounting period:-

#### **Tariff 1 (up to £250k)**

**£200 +VAT  
for a year**

#### **Tariff 2 (more than £250k and up to £2m)**

**£500 +VAT  
for a year**

#### **Tariff 3 (more than £2m)**

**Please  
contact us**

For all other organisations, please contact us and we will work out a bespoke package just for you.

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