

NEW LAW ON MICROCHIPPING

In the Republic of Ireland from 31st March 2016 it will be compulsory for all dogs to be microchipped.



As a dog owner there are 3 things you need to know about the new legislation

- 1** Your dog **MUST** be microchipped and registered on a government approved database such as *Fido* by 31st March 2016.
- 2** You must have a certificate from a government approved database such as *Fido* to prove that your dog is microchipped and registered on the database.
- 3** You must keep your contact details up to date. Any changes of ownership or of contact details such as changes in address or phone number must be notified to the database.

If you are buying, selling or transferring ownership there are 3 more things you need to know about the new legislation

- 1** From 1st September 2015 all pups must be microchipped and registered with a government approved database such as *Fido* by the time they reach 12 weeks of age or before they are moved from their birth home.
- 2** It is illegal to buy or take ownership of a pup that is not microchipped and registered on a government approved database such as *Fido* and that does not have a certificate from the database to prove this.
- 3** You must inform a government approved database when you buy, sell, take ownership or transfer ownership of a dog.

