



COLLECTION SHEET FOR THE PETITION:

Temporary ban on the breeding and importation of bully breeds



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From: Vuči għall-Animali, Association for Abandoned Animals, Gozo SPCA, & The Island



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Following the case involving 28 bully breed dogs found in horrible conditions rescued by Animal Welfare and the countless incidents involving bully breeds that has happened before this, it is time to act! **Vuči għall-Animali, Association for Abandoned Animals, Gozo SPCA, The Island Sanctuary, Innocent Paws, Help Us Help, CSAF Carers for Stray & Abandoned Felines, Angel 4 Paws, and Fostering & Homing Paws** are speaking up for the rights and well-being of these loyal and deserving animals.

We advocate for a comprehensive approach to address this issue, including stricter regulations against abuse and illegal breeding practices, increased efforts to enforce existing laws, and initiatives to promote responsible pet ownership and adoption.

To achieve this we are requesting the Maltese government to issue a **temporary ban of the breeding and importation of all bully breed dogs** as also proposed by The Commissioner for Animal Welfare, until the situation has adequately improved. This ban would include also mixed breed bully breeds.

This petition aims to gather public support to safeguard these breeds and their mixes from exploitation by abusers and backyard breeders. Too often, these dogs are abandoned with cropped ears and lacking microchips, which indicates that illegal ear cropping practices are still being done in Malta. Additionally, many are tragically subjected to dogfighting or used as bait-dogs, while female dogs are exploited as puppy breeding machines.

Regrettably, an alarming overpopulation of these breeds end up in sanctuaries or animal welfare facilities, with few prospects for adoption. It is unjust and unkind to confine these dogs to a lifetime in pens.

It is important to state that this ban is for specifically the ban of breeding and importation and does not mean a ban of any dogs already in care.



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