



Australian National Kennel Council Limited ABN 77 151 544 679 trading as Dogs Australia

## PRESS RELEASE – SURVEY RESULTS LABRADOR RETRIEVER

### Minimum Breeding Age for Labrador Retriever Bitches

As contemplated in Dogs Australia Regulations Part 6 - The Register and Registration Section 13 Conduct of Surveys, the Board of Directors resolved to conduct a survey to gauge members opinion on the minimum breeding age for Labrador Retriever bitches, as the survey was breed related voting was limited to:

- voting current members of a Dogs Australia Member Body.
- who have held full continuous membership for the previous two years prior to the release of the survey, and
- currently own or have owned a Main Registered dog in the specific breed.

In accordance with Regulations Part 6 – The Register and Registration Clause 13.3 the survey was electronic, conducted by Vero Voting independently of the Dogs Australia Administration.

**The question asked:** In your opinion should the minimum age for Labrador Retriever bitches be 18 months at the time of breeding (*unless a veterinary certificate is produced stating that for health reasons the bitch should be mated before 18 months*)

#### RESULT

Ballot Papers sent out	1557	YES 438	28.1%	NO 123	7.4%	NO RESPONSE 996	64.0%
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As a result of this vote, Regulation Part 6 – The Register and Registration Clause 8.12.2 remains unchanged.

### Vero Voting Independence Declaration

The Minimum Breeding Age for Labrador Retrievers has been managed and declared independent of Dogs Australia.

The vote result has been audited and the declared result is assured.

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