

The dog barks during the: day - morning noon dusk early evening late night

The barking occurs: once twice several times per day night

The barking may last up to: minutes hours

The barking increases when: owners are out owners are at home

Other

The barking starts as soon as the owner leaves home:

Yes No- usually within minutes of the owner leaving home

The dog is barking at: people and / or dogs passing the property
 neighbour and / or neighbour's dogs birds cats
 Postman unknown nothing

Other

The dog is barking at the: front back side of fence line

Other

When the dog is barking it will:

run along front/back/side fence line and / or sit or stand in one spot

Other

Does one dog bark more than others: Yes No

Describe the dog that barks the most (breed, colour, size, etc)

Any other relevant information:

Address of offending dog/s:

I notified the owner of the barking dog/s that their dog/s is/are causing a nuisance barking by:

letter phone in person on (date)

The owner responded in the following manner:

The Community Justice Centre (CJC) may facilitate mediation. I contacted the CJC on:

Please note: the Companion Animals Act 1998 states that a dog can be declared a nuisance if it makes a noise, by barking or otherwise, that persistently occurs or continues to such a degree or extent that it unreasonably interferes with the peace, comfort or convenience of any person in any other premises.

Therefore in order to action your noise complaint Council must prove beyond reasonable doubt that the noise is 1. Unreasonable 2. Interfering with the peace, comfort and convenience of any person in any other premises. While Council will try their best to achieve a result for you, this is not always possible to do.

I (full name)

of (address)

do hereby solemnly declare the information provided on this form is accurate and true. I declare I will appear in Court to give evidence as a witness to the truth of this complaint if required to do so by the Council.

I make the solemn declaration, as to the matter aforesaid, according to the law in this behalf made - and subject to the punishment by law provided for any wilfully false statement in any such declaration.

on: (date)

Signed (declarant) (If submitting by email, print name below)

Print name

Phone

Barking dog complaint - diary

- Note:**
1. It is important that this form be completed with actual times and dates of dog barking.
 2. Complete diary for full 14 days before returning to Council.

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I declare the above recordings as a true record of matters observed by me and I will appear in Court to give evidence as a witness to the truth of this complaint if required to do so by the Council.

Signature (If submitting by email, print name below)

Print Name Date

Address

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How to lodge this form

- Completed form can be:
- saved and then emailed to council@midcoast.nsw.gov.au; or
 - forwarded by post; or
 - lodged at our Customer Service Counter - Monday to Friday (excluding Public Holidays).

Privacy: This information is required to assist with your application and will not be used for any other purpose without seeking your consent, or as required by law. Your application will be retained in our Records Management System and disposed of in accordance with current legislation. Your personal information can be accessed and corrected at any time by contacting us.

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