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It's normal and natural for dog owners to bark. But when a dog barks for a long time, it can be annoying and disturbing for neighbors. If you're a dog owner, you should be aware of the noise, and you should be able to control it.

This leaflet is designed to help you understand the noise that your dog barks. It explains how to control the noise, and it gives you some advice on how to deal with the noise. It also gives you some advice on how to deal with the noise that your dog barks.

Each time you hear a dog bark, you should be able to identify the noise. It should be a loud, repetitive sound that is often accompanied by a high-pitched whine. It should be a sound that is often accompanied by a high-pitched whine. If you can't identify the noise, you should be able to identify the noise. The noise is often accompanied by a high-pitched whine.

If the noise ● dog is making is ● eeing ●
neighbor ● the ● e i ● alk, hing ● e i h
hem. Sa ● calm, and ● ee i f om, hei ● in
of ie : e ha ● he ● e ● king. hif ● ha e g
a bab ● mall child en. Bea in mind, ha ● he
migh ● be ● ied ab ● he he ● dog i OK and
emembe ● migh ● no ● kn ● h ● e i ● he
● blem i if ● dog i ba king mo ● e ● hen ● 'e
no ● a ● home.

A k ● neighb ● ell ● e ac l ● hen ●
dog i ba king, and fo ● h ● long. If ● 'e ● a
lo ● a k ● hem ● no ● e do n ● he ● ime ● hen ● he
ba king ha ● en ● If ● 'e in, make a no ● e ● elf.
Think ab ● ing a ● eb cam ● ide ● came a ●
nd ● ha ● dog i doing ● hen ● 'e no ●
he e ● a ● e - ' ● e end ● 'e going ●
fo ● he da ● hen ● aj ● ide ● he do ● ee ● ha ●
● dog do e ● If i ● a ● ba king and h ● ling, go ●
back in and ● ell i ● ml ● be ● ie ● P ni hing ●
dog ● ill ● nl ● make ● hing ● e.

The e a e. ● me. im le. e. ● can. ake. aigh.
 a a ● c. do n. he amo n. of nol e ● dog i
 making. Thi ill hel calm. he. i a ion be. een
 ● and ● neighb● ., and gi e ● ime ●
 ● k ● t h ● dog i ba king.

N If ● dog ba k a. hing ● ide ● a d ●
 ga den, don' le i g ● ide on i ● n. Kee
 i a a f o m ind ● ., . ● i can' . ee e ● le ●
 the animal .

N If ● dog ba k a. he. ame. ime e e da ,
 like hen e ● le in. he ho . e a e going ●
 ● k ● . choo l, ● kee i b . a ha ime.
 Fo e am le, ● co ld take i fo a talk.

N T ● kee ● dog calm. If i ba k hen i.'
 e ci ed, don' la i h i a an i- ocial ime
 like e la e a nigh .

N If ● dog' ba king and ● ' e in a a ● a
 . emi, ● kee i a a f o m an all ●
 . ha e i h ● neighb● . .

N Don' lea e ● dog ● ide if i' ba king ●
 be le in.

N See if ● can ge a fi end ● el a i e ● look
 af e ● dog hen ● go ● t, ● take i
 i h ● .

N Make. e ● dog ge. . ● me e e ci e bef ● e
 ● go ● t. A. i ed dog ba k le. .

Some general rules

Be con i en. E e i me • dog i ie hen i
• ld no mall ha e ba ked, ai e i • gi e i a
ea. When i ba k, ell i ml • be ie.

Yo al • need • emembe ha • dog i a of
he famil . If i onl ba k hen • lea e, b ing i
in ide. Lea e. • me • • che , and he adi
• on ie l. If • dog i di e. ed, kee i in ide
i h • hene e • 'e a home dog a e ack
animal , and he need com an .

Tackling specific problems

Yo dog i cling , and h • l • hine
hen lef alone.

A e, animal beha i i • dog a den
ma be able, ell • h • hel • dog ge
ed, • being on i • n.

Yo dog i figh ened. I migh loo k
ca ed (ea . ba k, ail l •), ha e • ble e ling,
• kee i ng, • hide.

If • dog like hiding, make a den fo
i . If i ca ed of noi e, ma k i b i ng he adi
• on ie l. If i figh ened of he e • le •
animal , h he c ain • do • . Think ab •
alking • a e, animal beha i i • dog a den.

Yo dog g a d hi e i • b ba king
a e • le, animal • ca .

Ke • dog a a f om he f on of
he h • e • a . Sc een • ind • . If i a
ba king • ide, call i in . aigh a a . Yo co ld
a k a e, animal beha i i • dog a den ab •
beha i i he a .

If the problem doesn't get resolved

If you don't make a local agreement, the local authority will refer the complaint to the dog licensing authority. The local authority may seek to resolve the problem by mediation between you and the complainant, but they do not do this. Each mediation is free of charge, and the authority is advised that the noise amount to a nuisance, it will refer you to the appropriate authority. If you are not satisfied with the noise abatement notice, you may appeal.

If you fail to comply with an abatement notice, you

