



BSL FACTS

CANADIAN BSL

Ontario, Canada - The ENTIRE Province passed B.S.L. on August 29th, 2005. For more information please visit www.bannedaid.com or www.brok.ca

Edmonton, Alberta - has a Restricted Dog by-law. 'Restricted dog' breeds include only those dogs that a veterinarian licensed to practice in the province of Alberta has determined to be primarily either Staffordshire Bull Terrier or American Staffordshire Terrier, but ONLY those that are ineligible for registration with the Canadian Kennel Club. 'Restricted dogs' must be muzzled when in public; enclosed or muzzled on private property; license fees and fines for these dogs are higher; and owners must have a minimum of \$1,000,000 liability insurance covering their dogs.

Brooks, Alberta - BSL Passed. 'Restricted' dogs include: American Pit Bull Terriers, Bull Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers (the list also includes inaccurate breed names) or mixes of these breeds. These dogs must be in a secured enclosure on the owner's property or muzzled and on a permitted leash. They must be muzzled and on a permitted leash when off the owner's property. Breeds that fall under the category of 'Prohibited Dogs' includes: Mastiffs, Rottweilers, and Rhodesian Ridgebacks. Prohibited dogs are not permitted within the town's limits.

Vancouver, British Columbia - Vicious dogs are required to be muzzled when in public. 'Pit Bulls', American Pit Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers, or a cross of one of the aforementioned breeds are automatically considered vicious.

Coquitlam, British Columbia - Vicious dogs are required to be muzzled when in public. 'Pit Bulls', American Pit Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers, Bull Terriers, or a cross of one of the aforementioned breeds are automatically considered vicious.

Nanaimo, British Columbia - 'Vicious' dogs are required to be muzzled when in public, and behind a barrier on the owner's property at all times. 'Pit Bulls', American Pit Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers, or a cross of one of the aforementioned breeds are "restricted" and automatically considered vicious unless registered with the CKC. Dogs that

have passed the AKC's Canine Good Citizen test are not automatically restricted or considered "vicious".

Fort Nelson, British Columbia - Unlicensed 'pit bulls' are prohibited from the town. Only 'pit bulls' residing in the town prior to 1990 can be licensed. Licensed 'pit bulls' must be leashed and muzzled when in public and confined when on the owner's property. The owner must carry \$500,000 in liability insurance.

Moosomin, Saskatchewan - BSL is passed. The following breeds are prohibited from being acquired and residing in the town of Moosomin after January 2004: "Pit Bulls", Rottweilers, and Dobermans.

Clavet, Saskatchewan - Prohibited from the city limits are 'pit bulls', American Pit Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers, Bull Terriers, or any dog mixed with one of the aforementioned breeds.

Winnipeg, Manitoba - Passed BSL in 1990 banning "pit bulls."

MacDonald, Manitoba - Passed BSL banning "pit bulls."

Windsor, Ontario - September 27th, 2004 - bans "pit bulls" and "pit bull" type dogs. Under the new by-law, all "pit bulls" must be 1) muzzled when off the owners property 2) spayed or neutered 3) micro-chipped 4) owners must have 1 million dollar liability insurance coverage. "Pit bull" owners must display a red and white sticker on the front door of their home stating, "Pit Bull on Premises." Special licenses are issued for "pit bull" type dogs.

Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario - Passed BSL in 1997. Both communities have Dangerous Dog bylaws and have banned 'Pit Bulls'. Ban does not include Bull Terrier or English Bull Terrier.

Lakeshore, Ontario - Passed BSL. The following breeds are PROHIBITED: 'Pit Bulls', American Pit Bull Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers, Bull Terriers, Presa Canarios, and any cross thereof.

London, Ontario - passed November 2006. All Pit Bull dogs must be registered within the City of London before February 2006 to be considered grandfathered and legal.

In order to obtain a Pit Bull dog license within the city you must have:

- paperwork to prove the dog is up to date on all vaccinations, altered, micro-chipped, resided within the province/city prior to the ban (this may only be proven via veterinary paperwork and/or a breeder witness certificate for dogs born within the provincial grandfathering period)
- you must provide photos of your dog sitting and standing from all angles, including a head and profile shot, along with a detailed description of all colouring and markings

- you must pay three times the regular dog license fee.

Midland, Ontario - The following breeds/crosses must be MUZZLED at all times while on municipal property: 'Pit Bull Terrier', American Pit Bull Terrier, Staffordshire Bull Terrier, American Staffordshire Terrier, Rottweiler, any member of the Mastiff dog family, or any dog of mixed breed including one of the aforementioned breeds.

Powassan, Ontario - BSL passed December, 2004 banning "pit bulls." Owners of 'pit bulls' have to pay \$250 for a restricted dog license. 'Pit bulls' must also be spayed or neutered. 'Pit bulls' have to be kept indoors or in a secure fenced-in area. Signs displayed at each entrance to the property and house will alert visitors that a restricted dog lives there. 'Pit bulls' must be walked by a person 18 years of age or older and be on a leash no longer than 1 metre. 'Pit bull' owners will also have to obtain a liability insurance policy worth at least \$1 million. Failure to comply with these restrictions could mean a fine of up to \$5,000. Powassan passed these restrictions against 'pit bulls' as the result of a single biting incident. At the time the law was passed, there were 10 'pit bulls' residing in Powassan.

Vaughn, Ontario - Automatically considers 'Pit Bull Terriers', American Pit Bull Terriers, and any mixed breed dog crossed with a 'pit bull' to be aggressive. License fees are up to five times higher for these breeds/crosses. Ironically, the City of Vaughn also automatically considers Staffordshire Bull Terriers and American Staffordshire Terriers to be aggressive UNLESS they are registered with either the Canadian or American Kennel Clubs.

Sherbrooke, Quebec - Banned 'Pit Bulls', and also has restrictions on Rottweilers and Mastiffs.

Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Quebec - Banned 'Pit Bulls'.

Chapais, Quebec - Banned "Pit Bulls."

Ville St.-Laurent, Quebec - Banned "Pit Bulls."

Chibougamau, Quebec - Banned "Pit Bulls."

Lachine, Quebec - Banned 'Pit Bulls'.

Kirkland, Quebec - Banned 'Pit Bulls'.

Outremont, Quebec - Banned 'Pit Bulls'.

Saint Genevieve, Quebec - Banned 'Pit Bulls'.

Clark's Harbour, Nova Scotia - Banned 'Pit Bulls'

Guysborough County, Nova Scotia - Banned 'Pit Bulls', American Staffordshire Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers, American Pit Bull Terriers, and Rottweilers. Guysborough's recent ban is the result of a single incident involving dogs and a child residing in the same home (as are most biting cases) in another province. That province didn't deem it necessary to ban breeds, but Guysborough did, despite the fact there have been no serious biting incidents in that "community".

Montague, P.E.I. - Banned 'Pit Bulls' and Rottweilers

New Brunswick - November 18th, 2004 -rejects BSL and instead implements strict Dangerous Dog Laws.

Three cheers for Newfoundland, Yukon, Nunavut and Northwest Territories
- No BSL found!!

Monticello, IA passed BSL on October 18th, 2004

September, 2004 - Fairfield, Jefferson County, Iowa passes BSL. Under the legislation Dobermans, pit bulls, Rottweilers, German Shepherds, Belgian Malinois, Siberian Huskies, Malamutes and any dog weighing more than 100 pounds are identified as dangerous and the new law requires them to be walked on a leash 3 feet or shorter and to be muzzled when off the owner's property.

September 27th, 2004 - the Supreme Court of Ohio rules that part of the state's dangerous dog legislation is unconstitutional.

April 18th, 2001 - Pontiac, Michigan, U.S.A bans "Pit Bulls." Existing Pit Bulls will be allowed to remain in Pontiac with licenses, but they must have a tattoo, vaccinations by a vet, tags, and registered. Also, the owner **MUST** carry at least \$100,000 worth of insurance. However, the ban was repealed in favour of a Dangerous Dog Law.

July, 2001 - Germany passes BSL. The Am Staff Terrier, Staffordshire Bull Terrier, and Pit Bull Terrier and Tosa Inu are classified as aggressive dogs. Owners of these dogs must spay/neuter, muzzle and leash their dog(s) at all times while the dog(s) is off their owner's property, and you must prove that your dog(s) is not aggressive (using temperament testing) in order to keep him/her. Importing, buying and selling of these breeds is not allowed. -- see <http://www.angelfire.com/biz6/dogholocaust/>

Lynville, Tennessee - It is illegal to own, keep, train or possess a Rottie, pit bull, chow or Doberman.

New York State, Pennsylvania, and Virginia went so far as to pass laws making it illegal for any municipality to pass breed specific ordinances. The state of Pennsylvania has a law prohibiting BSL. However, Philadelphia is currently

trying to get it overturned in the city for their own "special" situation - be sure to stay on the look out.

The Supreme Court of Alabama ruled there was no genetic evidence that one breed of dog was more dangerous than another, simply because of its breed.

France does not allow Pit Bulls and Boerbulls (Cat. 1) in Public Housing and has additional restrictions as muzzling in public and ownership limitations. Owners of Pit Bulls and Boerbulls must register and neuter them. The penalty for not doing so is a maximum of six months in prison and a 100.000 franc fine. Restrictions against 'guard and protective dogs' (Cat. 2): Tosa Inu, American Staffordshire Terrier, Fila Brasileiro, Bullterrier, Mastiffs (all breeds), German Sheppard, Dobermann and Rottweiler. All dogs with a similar morphology as the above mentioned without pedigree are also restricted (registration and neutering)

Britain has outlawed the breeding, importing and selling of American Pit Bull Terriers and has heavy breed restrictions.

Romania bans pit bulls and Rottweilers.

Italy has passed restrictions on 92 breeds, including "pit bulls."

Sweden has banned Wolf dogs.

Norway has banned Pit Bulls and Tosa Inu.

Denmark, Netherlands - Proposal on enforced psychological test for the breeds: American Staffordshire Terrier, Fila Brasileiro, Dogo Argentino, Mastino Napoletano, Mastiff (all breeds) and Rottweilers.

Holland banned pit bulls entirely in 1993, yet admits that very few pit bulls have actually been involved in biting incidents.

The U.S. Territory of **Puerto Rico** has a ban on Pit Bull ownership.

Brazil, South America - "Pit Bull" Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers and Staffordshire Bull Terriers are on the list of dogs declared vicious.