

# Veterinary confirmation of neutering

Confirm an XL Bully dog has been neutered.

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## When to use this form

Owners of XL Bully dogs who want to keep their dog must provide evidence of neutering to Defra.

Defra will use the form as evidence that the owner has met the neutering requirement for the dog's Certificate of Exemption to remain valid.

XL Bully dogs must be permanently neutered. Male dogs must be neutered through castration, and female dogs must be spayed. The procedure must be carried out by a Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS)-registered veterinary surgeon, or they must confirm that it has been previously neutered.

## Deadlines for providing evidence that your dog has been neutered

You must provide Defra with evidence that your XL Bully dog has been neutered on or before the relevant deadline.

Age of the dog on 31 January 2024	Deadline for receipt of form
12 months old or older	26 July 2024 (but the dog must have been neutered by 30 June 2024)
At least 7 months old, but less than 12 months old	31 December 2024
Less than 7 months old	30 June 2025

Defra will contact the dog owner if there any issues verifying the information on this form.

## Where to send this form

When this form has been completed, the owner must email a scanned copy or photo of the form to [XLBneuteringcerts@defra.gov.uk](mailto:XLBneuteringcerts@defra.gov.uk), or post it to:

Dogs Index (neutering forms)  
PO Box 68250  
London  
SW1P 9XG

If you send the form by email, include the dog's Certificate of Exemption number in the subject line. Include all scans or photos of the form in a single email.

If sending by post, we recommend you use a signed-for or special delivery service.

## Section 1: Owner to complete

Use BLOCK CAPITALS. All fields are mandatory.

### Name of owner

Enter owner's name as it appears on the Certificate of Exemption.

### Name of dog

Enter dog's name as it appears on the Certificate of Exemption.

### Exempted Dog Index Number

6-digit number found on page 1 of your dog's Certificate of Exemption.

## Section 2: Vet to complete

Use BLOCK CAPITALS.

### Microchip number of the dog

OR

If the dog is unfit to be microchipped, tick this box to confirm that a veterinary certificate of exemption from microchipping has been issued to the owner.

### Date of neutering

OR

If you have not neutered the dog, but you are confirming it has previously been neutered, enter the date you confirmed this.

**Veterinary surgeon's declaration:**

I hereby confirm that the dog identified on this form has been neutered through castration in the case of a male dog, or through spaying in the case of a female dog.

I hereby confirm that the microchip number of the dog that has been neutered matches the microchip number on this form.

If the dog is unfit to be microchipped, I hereby confirm the dog identified on this form matches the dog in the related Certificate of Exemption.

**Signature of veterinary surgeon**

**Name (MRCVS)**

**RCVS number**

**Veterinary practice name**

**Practice address**

**Practice stamp**

Use your practice stamp to mark this form if you have one.