

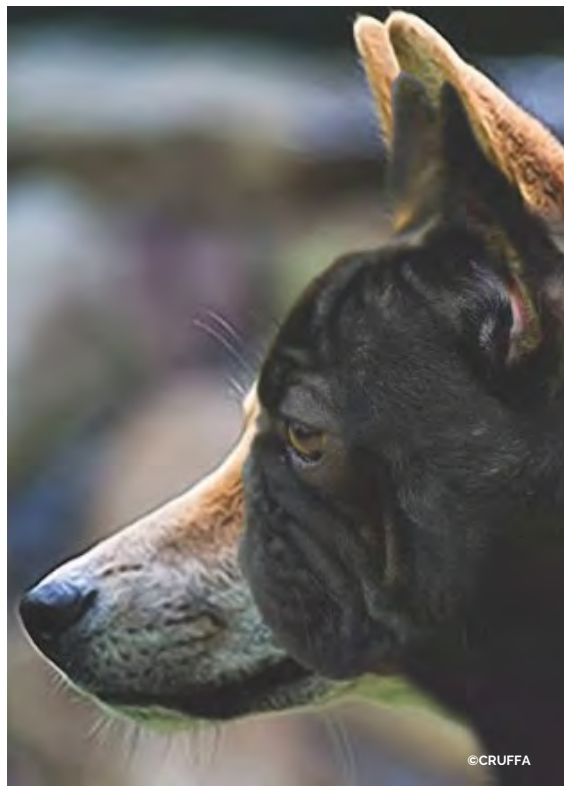
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EXTREME BREEDING IN EUROPE MAPPING OF LEGISLATION

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EXTREME BREEDING: THIS IS HOW IT LOOKS LIKE



EXTREME BREEDING IMPACTS THE PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTH OF THE ANIMALS

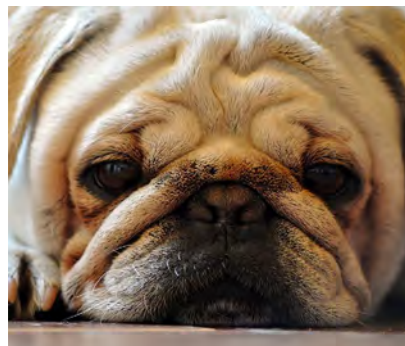
- **5 Domains** shift
- Selecting for a particular "look" equals



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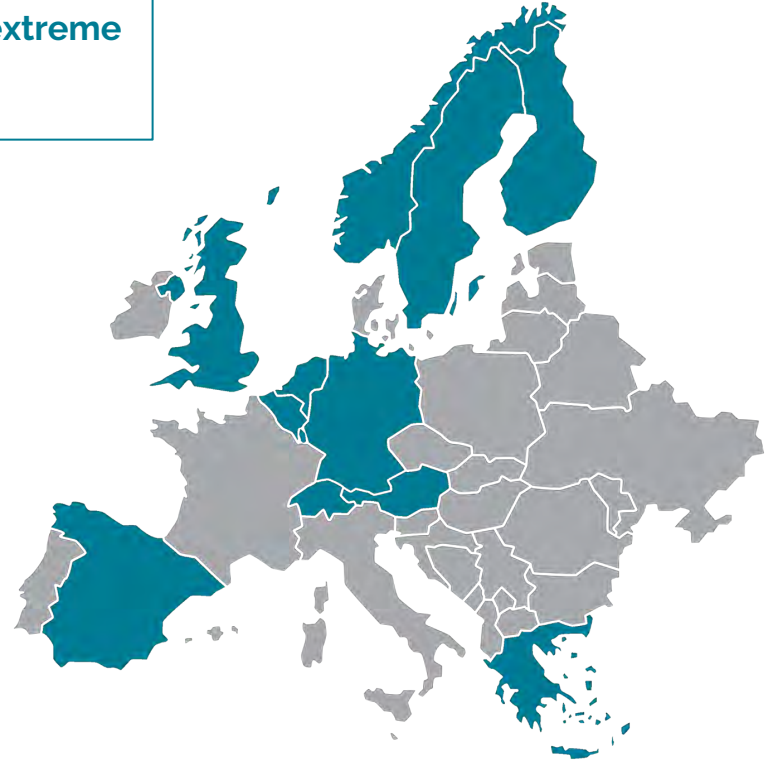


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LEGISLATION ON EXTREME BREEDING

Is there any legislation already in place for **any** aspect of **extreme breeding/features**?

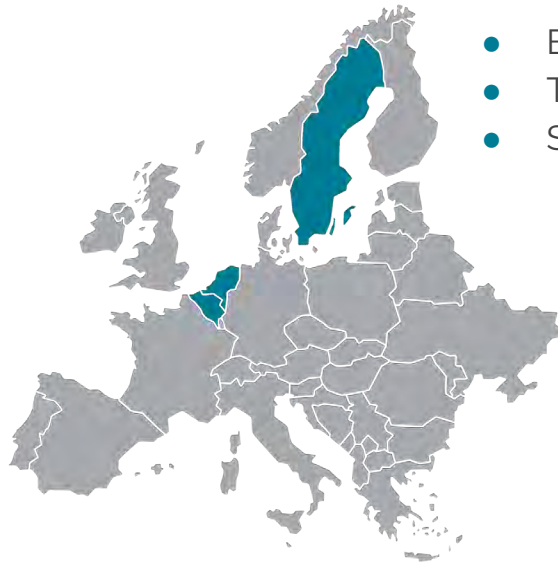
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LEGISLATION ON EXTREME BREEDING

In some countries banning **breeds** has proven problematic having opted for a ban on **extreme features** instead which may cover an ample number of breeds.

BAN ON CERTAIN BREEDS



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BAN ON EXTREME FEATURES



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LEGISLATION ON EXTREME BREEDING

BAN ON OFFSPRING

Prohibiting breeding from animals that are likely to produce diseased offspring may prevent future suffering.

BAN ON OWNERSHIP

Such a ban may avoid the pitfalls of lack of traceability of an animal back to his original breeder.



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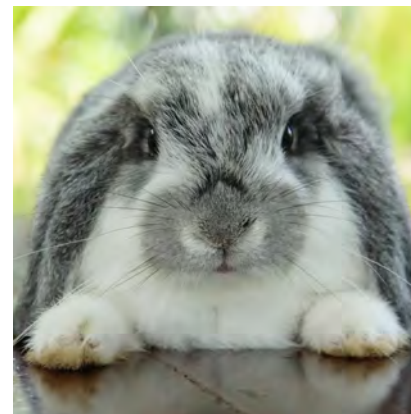
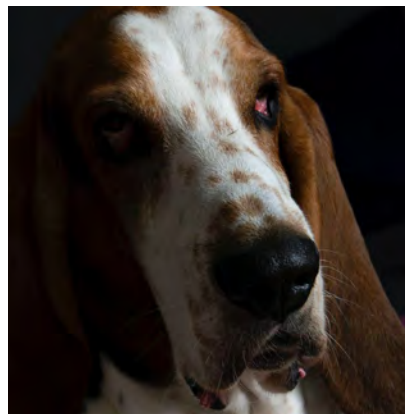
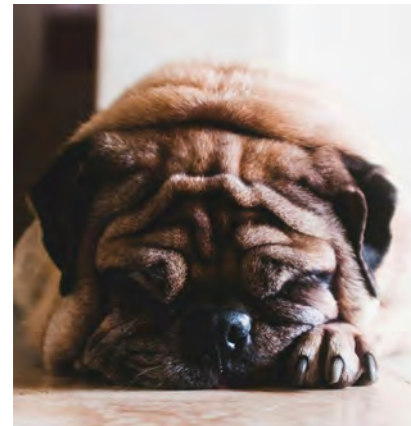
ARE EXISTING LAWS ENFORCED? - NO



- Lack of **knowledge** of the legislation
- Lack of **clarity** on law enforcement
- Lack of **training**
- Lack of definition of **limits of conformation**
- Seeing extreme feature traits as '**normal** for the breed'
- **Penalties** not robust enough

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- **EU wide legislation**
- Ownership bans
- Extreme features bans
- **Identification & Registration**
- Health & welfare **certification** system
- Legislation should include future **offsprings**
- ANYONE breeding animals
- Temperament & behaviour **tests** in breeding programmes
- **Outcrossing**
- Artificial insemination/ C-sections should be exceptional
- Fashion/ Exhibition & Competitions



FOR MORE INFORMATION - This report aims at mapping the existing legislation on extreme breeding and extreme features in the EU and other European countries.

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- Joan Judd, Founder of International Cat Care, 1958



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