

R11 Moratorium Extended to 31 December 2026

The moratorium on penalties relating to Regulation R11.1 has been formally extended.

The moratorium, which was due to conclude on 30 June 2026, will now remain in effect **until 31 December 2026**.

Why the moratorium was extended

This extension has been approved to allow additional time for the completion of the R11 Self-Assessment Program and associated compliance review activities. Delays caused by staffing and operational changes have impacted the original program timeframe, and the additional period will help ensure members have adequate opportunity to review and correct their records before normal enforcement resumes.

What this means for members

The extension allows continued **relief from penalties**—including late transfer fees—for specific non-compliance matters relating to Regulation R11.1 (Transfers and Non-Transfer Agreements), provided they are:

- Self-identified by the member, and
- Addressed during the approved compliance period under the R11 Self-Assessment Program

Usual transfer fees still apply.

Important exclusions

Members should be aware that the moratorium **does not apply to**:

- Breaches of Regulation R11.1 that were already identified or formally charged prior to the commencement of the original moratorium, or
- Any breaches identified after 31 December 2026

Next steps

Members are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this extended period to:

- Request their Dog Record Update Form
- Review all puppy sales and ownership records
- Ensure transfers and documentation meet regulatory requirements
- Submit any outstanding paperwork

This is a temporary compliance measure, and normal enforcement of Regulation R11.1 will resume after the moratorium period concludes.

For further information about the R11 Self-Assessment Program or assistance with compliance, please contact the Dogs West office by email to R11enquiries@dogswest.com or visit the Dogs West website - [DogsWest - Transfers \(R11\) Compliance Program](#)