

***SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS***

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Editor  
My Say  
My Paper

Dear Sir,

I refer to the letter "Allow for exceptions to big-dog rule in flats" (5 March 2009). The SPCA thanks Miss Stefanie Lua for raising this issue on behalf of those dog owners who may be downgrading from a private property to a HDB flat which does not permit big breeds of dog to be kept.

As the writer mentioned, during the recession the number of dog owners having to downgrade could also increase.

The SPCA supports the call that HDB not be too rigid when considering any appeals, as it is not easy for new homes to be found for homeless pets. With the proliferation of dogs commercially imported, bred and sold, the avenues for rehoming are limited.

A compassionate approach is needed to help people who may face the terrible dilemma of having to part with a beloved pet.

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Officer