

NSW Police Force - Response to Question Notice:

NSWPF has supported and continues to support the development of a national standard for security patrol dog teams and welcomes involvement in the process.

On 6 February 2018, the Director of the Security Licensing and Enforcement Directorate nominated a NSWPF representative to the Standards Australia Technical Advisory Committee (MB-026 Private Security Patrol and Guard Dogs) via email. This was in response to an email invitation from [redacted], Project Manager, Standards Australia on 1 February 2018. NSWPF has not received any further correspondence and is unclear if this nomination was received.

The NSWPF received an email from Standards Australia on 1 August 2019 with a revised project proposal from Dog Force Australia. NSWPF discussed the proposal with the Australia New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency (ANZPAA) but didn't participate in the technical committee. Irrespective of the regulatory costs, safety risks and limited benefit mentioned in our submission, NSWPF does not object to a national standard, and welcomes an involvement in developing a standard.