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**The Microchipping of Cats and
Dogs (England) Regulations 2023**

Authorised person

12.—(1) The Secretary of State may, in writing, authorise any person (“an authorised person”) to act for the purposes of enforcing these Regulations.

(2) A local authority in whose area a cat or a dog is kept may, in writing, authorise any person to act as an authorised person for the purposes of enforcing these Regulations in that area.

(3) A police constable or a community support officer is also an authorised person for the purposes of these Regulations.

(4) In this regulation, a “community support officer” means anyone so designated under section 38(1)(a) of the Police Reform Act 2002⁽¹⁾

(1) 2002 c. 20. Section 38(1) and (9) of the Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3) substituted section 38(1) of the Police Reform Act 2002.