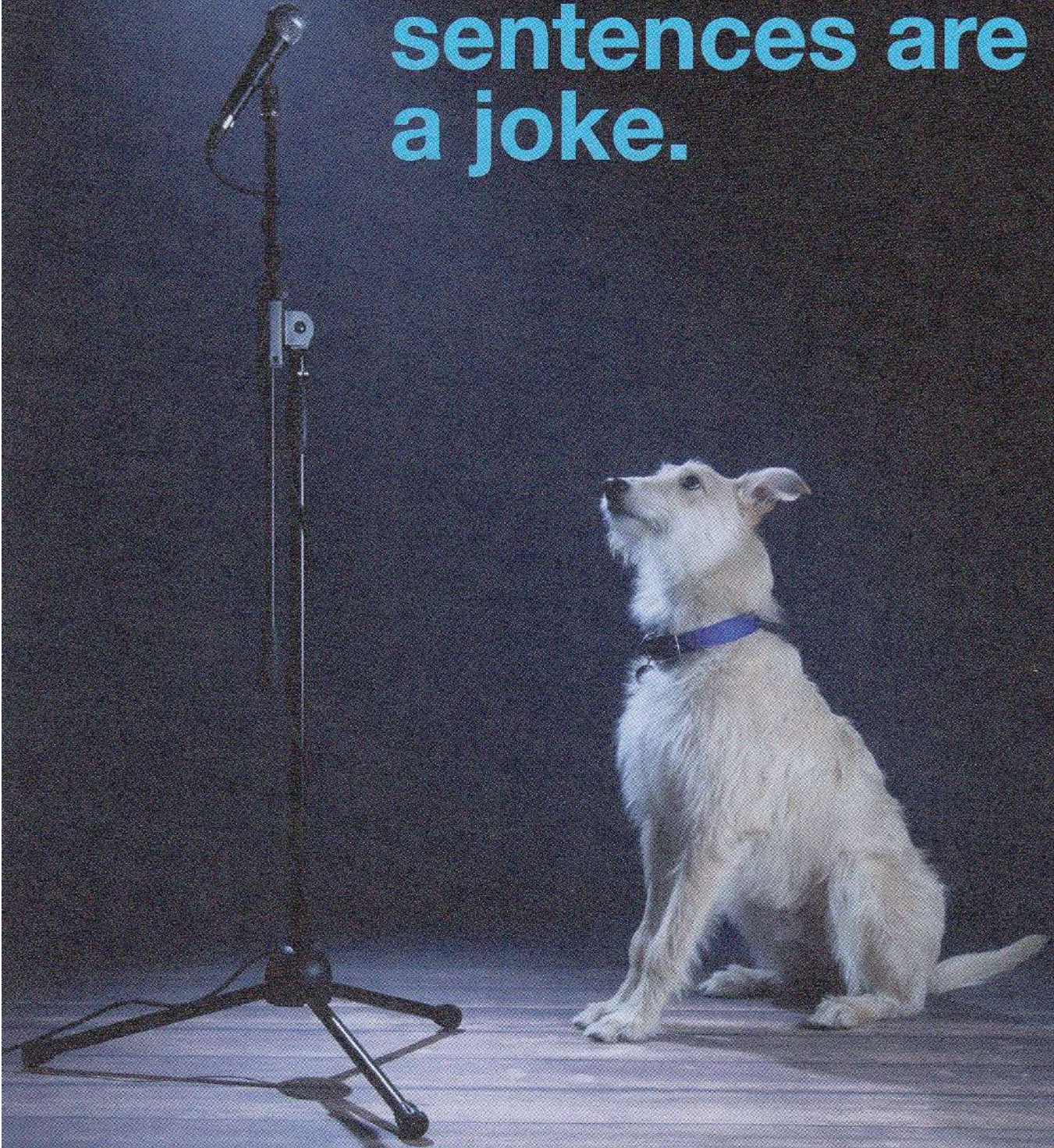


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The maximum sentence for animal cruelty is six months in prison.

Help increase this to five years.

At Battersea Dogs & Cats Home we often see the tragic victims of horrific animal abuse. Sadly, for the most serious cases of animal cruelty in England and Wales, the maximum custodial sentence is currently just six months in prison.

Tougher sentences would serve as both a punishment and a deterrent against animal cruelty. Battersea is therefore campaigning for the maximum sentence to be raised to five years, and we really need your support.

Together, we can make a real difference and be the voice of the animals who have suffered at the hands of cruelty.



England and Wales have the **lowest maximum** sentences for animal cruelty in Europe



The maximum sentence for fly tipping is **10 times** longer than for animal cruelty



Animal cruelty offenders are **5 times** more likely to commit other violent crimes

It would be laughable if it weren't so shocking, but with your support we can change the law.

Stand up for animals by emailing your MP at [battersea.org.uk/notfunny](mailto:battersea.org.uk/notfunny)

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