

watchdog

[ˈwɒtʃdɒɡ] *n*

1. сторожевой пёс
2. *амер.*

1) лицо *или* группа лиц, следящие за тем, чтобы не было хищений, порчи, расточительства *и др.* отрицательных явлений
 watchdog of the Treasury - лицо (*особ.* член конгресса), добивающееся экономии государственных средств; защитник интересов казначейства
 watchdog committee - комитет по наблюдению за выборами *и т. п.*; контрольная *или* ревизионная комиссия

2) *сл.* цензор

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watch-dog [ˌwɒtʃdɒɡ] *BrE* [ˈwɒtʃdɒɡ] *AmE* [ˈwɑːtʃdɒɡ] *noun*

a person or group of people whose job is to check that companies are not doing anything illegal or ignoring people's rights

- a consumer watchdog
- 'Ofwat' is the water industry watchdog in Britain.

compare ↑guard dog

Culture:

In Britain the word **watchdog** is often used of organizations set up by the government to make sure that the actions of former public companies and institutions which became privately owned in the 1980s and 1990s are both legal and fair.

Example Bank:

- a consumer watchdog for transport
- an independent watchdog for civil rights
- an unofficial watchdog of pesticide use
- reporters who do the real work of watchdog journalism
- the government's official watchdog on nature conservation
- She is a member of the consumer watchdog for transport in London and Southern England.

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1. a person or group of people whose job is to protect the rights of people who buy things and to make sure companies do not do anything illegal or harmful:
 a consumer watchdog
2. *old-fashioned* a ↑guard dog

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