

Need another word that means the same as “watchdog”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “watchdog” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Watchdog” are: guard dog, house dog, ombudsman, monitor, scrutineer, inspector, observer, supervisor

Watchdog as a Noun

Definitions of "Watchdog" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “watchdog” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A dog kept to guard private property.*
- *A guardian or defender against theft or illegal practices or waste.*
- *A person or group that monitors the practices of companies providing a particular service or utility.*
- *A dog trained to guard property.*



Synonyms of "Watchdog" as a noun (8 Words)

guard dog	A position on a basketball team.
house dog	A dwelling that serves as living quarters for one or more families.
inspector	A police officer ranking below a chief inspector. <i>A prison inspector.</i>
monitor	A person operating a monitor. <i>He was a school monitor and a choir boy.</i>
observer	A person who becomes aware (of things or events) through the senses. <i>Some observers expect interest rates to rise.</i>
ombudsman	An official appointed to investigate individuals' complaints against a company or organization, especially a public authority.
scrutineer	A person who supervises the conduct of an election or competition. <i>Independent strike ballot scrutineers.</i>

supervisor A program that controls the execution of other programs.



Usage Examples of "Watchdog" as a noun

- *She is the global watchdog for human rights abuses.*
- *The consumer watchdog for transport in London.*



Associations of "Watchdog" (30 Words)

- agency** How a result is obtained or an end is achieved.
*She has free **agency**.*
- alert** A warning serves to make you more alert to danger.
*Traffic was halted during the **alert**.*
- attentive** Taking heed; giving close and thoughtful attention.
***Attentive** to details.*
- audit** Attend (a class) informally, without working for credit.
*A method of **auditing** obstetric and neonatal care.*
- canny** Showing self-interest and shrewdness in dealing with others.
*She s a **canny** lass.*
- careful** Exercising caution or showing care or attention.
*Be **careful** to keep her shoes clean.*

cancel	Subject to political religious or moral censorship. <i>The letters she received were cancelled.</i>
check	A move by which a piece or pawn directly attacks the opponent's king and by which the king may be checkmated. <i>Check your facts.</i>
conscious	(of an action or feeling) deliberate and intentional. <i>A conscious effort to walk properly.</i>
examination	The action or process of conducting an examination. <i>A medical examination is conducted without delay.</i>
gaze	Look at with fixed eyes. <i>He could only gaze at her in astonishment.</i>
infiltrate	Gradually permeate or become a part of. <i>One of the tumours infiltrated the submucosa.</i>
inspect	Examine (someone or something) to ensure that they reach an official standard. <i>Please inspect your father's will carefully.</i>
inspection	Careful examination or scrutiny. <i>On closer inspection it looked like a fossil.</i>
investigate	Investigate scientifically. <i>The district attorney's office investigated reports of possible irregularities.</i>
monitor	A person operating a monitor. <i>Equipment was installed to monitor air quality.</i>
observant	Adhering strictly to laws and rules and customs. <i>An observant Jew.</i>
organization	The act of forming or establishing something. <i>His compulsive organization was not an endearing quality.</i>
oversee	Supervise (a person or their work), especially in an official capacity. <i>The Home Secretary oversees the police service.</i>
reconnoiter	Explore, often with the goal of finding something or somebody.
sleepless	Experiencing or accompanied by sleeplessness Shakespeare. <i>Another sleepless night.</i>
spy	A person employed by a government or other organization to secretly obtain information on an enemy or competitor. <i>A spy camera.</i>
stare	Fixate one's eyes. <i>The obituaries stared out at us.</i>

- supervise** Watch and direct.
*The prisoners were **supervised** by two officers.*
- surveillance** Close observation of a person or group (usually by the police).
*He found himself put under **surveillance** by British military intelligence.*
- survey** A written report detailing the findings of a building survey.
*The building society will insist that you have a **survey** done.*
- vigilant** Carefully observant or attentive; on the lookout for possible danger.
*The burglar was spotted by **vigilant** neighbours.*
- wary** Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide.
*Taught to be **wary** of strangers.*
- watch** A watchman or group of watchmen who patrolled and guarded the streets of a town before the introduction of the police force.
*In spring and summer **watch** for kingfishers.*
- watchful** Experiencing or accompanied by sleeplessness- Shakespeare.
*They attended dances under the **watchful** eye of their father.*

