

Animal Boarding Establishment, Pet Shop, Home Boarding of Dogs and Dog Breeding

Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1968

Pet Animals Act 1951

Breeding and Sale of Dogs (Welfare) Act 1999

Applications are made under the relevant legislation and it is a condition of the licence to abide by that legislation. It is the responsibility of the licence holder to ensure compliance with the licence conditions.

You may not apply for an **Animal Boarding Establishment, Home Boarding of Dogs or Pet Shop Licence** if you have ever been disqualified from any of the following:

- Keeping a Pet Shop
- Keeping an Animal Boarding Establishment
- Keeping a Dog
- Having the Custody of Animals

You may not apply for a **Dog Breeding Licence** if you have ever been disqualified under any of the following legislation:

- Breeding and Sale of Dogs (Welfare) Act 1999
- Pet Animals Act 1951
- Protection of Animals (Cruelty to Dogs) Act 1933 from keeping a dog
- Protection of Animals (Cruelty to Dogs – Scotland) Act 1933 from keeping a dog
- Protection of Animals (Amendment) Act 1954 from having custody of animals
- Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963, from the boarding of animals

Appeals against the refusal to grant a licence may be made to a Magistrates' Court.

Officers authorised by the council will carry out an inspection of the premises prior to the grant of any licence. Officers may also attend to inspect the premises without notice when a licence is in force to monitor compliance with the licence conditions.

Animals must be kept in accommodation suitable in relation to its construction, size of quarters, number of occupants, exercising facilities, temperature, lighting, ventilation and cleanliness. Animals must be adequately supplied with suitable food, drink, and bedding material, adequately exercised and so far as necessary visited at suitable intervals.

All reasonable precautions must be taken to prevent and control the spread among animals of infectious or contagious diseases, including the provision of adequate isolation facilities. Appropriate precautions must be in place for the protection of animals in case of fire or other emergency.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment for any of the above licences, registrations or consents can be made in the following ways:

- By Cash or Cheque (made payable to Bracknell Forest Borough Council)
- By Credit/Debit Card at Time Square or over the phone on 01344 352000
- Online at www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk

If you are undertaking home boarding of dogs for charitable purposes and without personal gain, please submit a covering letter with details and we will consider whether the application fee can be waived.