



Vale of Glamorgan Council

PET ANIMALS ACT 1951

Standard Licence Conditions Subject to which a Pet Animals Licence is Granted

1. No animal (including birds and fishes, i.e. all vertebrates) shall be exposed to strong light or heat or be deprived of adequate warmth and animals (other than fish or reptiles) shall be kept in cellars unless there is ventilation and light adequate for their health. Facilities to inspect premises must be granted at all reasonable times to a duly authorised officer of the Licensing Authority, or authorised Veterinary Surgeon on production of written authority.
2. No animal shall be displayed in a cage, hutch, box or other receptacle in any part of a street or public place, or in any position so as to expose it to interference or annoyance be persons or animals outside the shop
3. Accommodation provided for animals shall be in all other respects suitable as respect size, temperature, lighting, ventilation and cleanliness.
4. All animals shall be fed suitably and watered at least once every twelve hours (except where an adequate supply of food and fresh water is constantly available) and all animals shall be visited at least once every twelve hours.
5. Shopkeepers stock shall not be crowded into the shop to such an extent that ingress and egress is difficult.
6. Stock (such as dog biscuits, seeds, etc.) kept outside the premises or elsewhere during business hours must not be stored at night in gangways of the premises so as to cause obstruction in the event of fire or other emergency.
7. No animal shall be displayed for sale outside the premises during inclement weather.
8. The Licensee shall ensure that a responsible person shall at all times be in or within a reasonable distance from the premises for the purpose of giving warning and taking other necessary steps in the event of fire or other emergency. In the case of lock-up premises, outside business hours, the licensee shall appoint a responsible person residing within a reasonable distance of the premises to have custody of the key. The name and address of such person shall be displayed in legible characters on the front door, or windows, of the premises and be notified to the local fire service. A supply of water and sand and/or an efficient fire extinguisher must always be available on the premises.

9. No animal which is suffering from, or could reasonably be suspected of having come into contact with any other animals suffering from any infectious disease, shall be brought or kept on the premises unless it is effectually isolated from the other animals therein; and all other necessary precautions shall be taken to prevent the spread among animals of infectious or contagious diseases.
10. No animal shall be sold unweaned, or if weaned, at an age at which it should not have been weaned.
11. Where animals are kept in cages, hutches, boxes or other receptacles placed on top of other cages, hutches, boxes or other receptacles, effective means shall be provided for preventing water, food or other droppings falling onto, or contaminating, the animals or other surroundings which are underneath.
12. No pets shall be sold to any person whom the seller has reasonable cause to believe is under the age of 12 years.
13. Every precaution must be taken to prevent noise arising from the establishment which is likely to cause disturbance or nuisance to occupiers of adjoining land.
14. No animal which would be classed as a 'Dangerous Wild Animal' under the provisions of the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976 shall be kept unless the following Conditions are complied with;
 - (a) the licensee shall pay for an additional inspection by a vet specialising in the particular dangerous wild animal,
 - (b) the licensee must ensure that any prospective purchaser of a dangerous wild animal is informed that they will require a Licence from the Local Authority and provide the purchaser with a contact within the Authority,
 - (c) the Local Authority licensing section must be informed of the name and address of any person to whom a dangerous wild animal is supplied.
15. Breach of any of the above conditions may render the licensee liable to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale and/or three months imprisonment and/or disqualification from holding a licence.

Director of Legal and Regulatory Services