

PET ANIMALS ACT 1951

Who needs a licence?

Persons proposing to obtain premises to keep and sell pet animals are required to obtain a licence from the Council.

What is the aim of the legislation?

The aim of the legislation is for the Council to ensure:-

- that animals will at all times be kept in accommodation suitable as respects size, temperature, lighting, ventilation and cleanliness;
- that animals will be adequately supplied with suitable food and drink and (so far as necessary) visited at suitable intervals;
- that animals, being mammals, will not be sold at too early an age;
- that all reasonable precautions will be taken to prevent the spread among animals of infectious diseases;
- that appropriate steps will be taken in case of fire or other emergency.

PET SHOPS



Pets are not to be sold to children under 12 years of age.



A list of licensed premises is available from the Vale of Glamorgan Council on request



THINGS TO CONSIDER

Before purchasing any pet take time to consider:-

- Why do you want a pet? Can you offer him or her a good home for life?
- Have you carefully considered all his or her needs?
- Can you afford to feed your pet and pay vets bills? Can you afford kennel and cattery fees if you go on holiday?
- Do you have time to look after your pet properly? What about your pet's natural instincts to burrow, forage or fly?
- How large can you expect your pet to grow? Will you be able to provide for your pet properly when the animal reaches its full size?
- Does the pet look healthy before purchase?
- Has the pet shop given you any advice on how to care for your animal?

Our Service aim is to enhance and protect the health, safety, economic welfare and environment of residents, business and other stakeholders in the Vale of Glamorgan.

Our Service Objectives are:

To be customer focused, accessible and responsive to the needs of the community.

To improve the environment through monitoring and regulating air and water quality, noise and contaminated land.

To protect health and safety of the community by ensuring businesses meet legislative requirements, controlling infectious disease, encouraging responsible dog ownership, controlling pests and regulating animal health and welfare.

To maintain a fair and equitable trading Environment

To achieve these objectives a combination of strategies are used to control, reduce and wherever possible eliminate risks including :

- Effective enforcement of legislation.
- Appropriate education and advice.
- Responding to customer requests for service.
- Using intelligence information to inform delivery priorities.
- Working with other Organisations.

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL LICENSING SECTION

We are committed to offering the best and most cost-effective service possible.

The Licensing Section is continuously improving its service to ensure public safety.

If you have any comments, complaints or suggestions about the quality of the service we provide, please contact the Licensing Team Leader.

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