

DOG BREEDING ESTABLISHMENTS

FAQ'S

What terms require a breeder to have a breeding license within your local authority (e.g. if they breed over a specific number of litters)?

Under Section 4A of the Breeding of Dogs Act 1973, the key factors in deciding whether an establishment, including a private dwelling, requires to be licensed is the number of litters produced during any 12 month period and if at least one of the puppies from those litters is sold during that period.

This would include litters from breeding bitches;

- *Kept by a relative or partner at the breeding establishment*
- *Kept elsewhere; or*
- *Kept by any person under a breeding arrangement*

Do staff, on behalf of your local authority, carry out visits to dog breeding and licensing?

Yes, annual inspections carried out by licensing officers.

How frequently do they need to renew their license and are breeders then revisited when renewing?

Breeders must renew their license annually, annual inspections are carried out on all licensed premises.

Number of staff who carry out the inspections and job titles?

2 Licensing Officers

Current Fee charged for a First Time Application?

£170.00

Current Fee charged for a Renewal Application?

£130.00