



CONDITIONS OF A LICENCE TO BREED DOGS

A **Breeder's Licence** is required by any person who breeds a dog or keeps a pregnant dog, whether or not such breeding is/was intentional. An animal warden will inspect the premises where the puppies will be raised, and make a recommendation to approve or deny the application based on his/her findings. Once an application has received approval-in-principle, the female dog may be mated. Once the pregnancy has been confirmed, the breeder must pay the appropriate licence fee **BEFORE** the puppies are born.

Fee: • **Breeder's Licence Fee of _____ per licence / litter**, payable before the puppies are born;
Fee is subject to change without notice.

Any person, who has been granted an approval-in-principle or a licence to breed a dog, must adhere to all of the following conditions, and any additional conditions that were imposed on his/her specific licence. Failure to do so could result in the cancellation of your Breeder's Licence, and you will be liable in Court for any breaches of the conditions attached to your licence and/or any breaches committed against the Dogs Act 2008.

1. The breeder must apply to the Animal Control Section of this Department for a Breeder's Licence **before** the female dog has been mated.
2. Any building or structure relevant to this application must already have the approval of the Department of Planning. Seek advice from the Department of Planning (5th Floor, Dame Lois Browne-Evans Building, 58 Court Street, Hamilton, tel. 297-7756) for any questions you may have concerning planning issues.
3. An officer will inspect the premises to ensure that the area used for whelping and raising the puppies is adequate in terms of safety, sanitation, protection from rain, sun and wind, control of noise and odour, and that the animals can be properly confined. The officer will report his findings to the Director.
4. If the premise is inadequate, you will be advised on how it must be improved. If the premise is adequate, and the applicant and premise have not been the subject of previous complaints, the inspecting officer will give **approval-in-principle**, which is valid for **six months** after the inspection date. The bitch may be mated thereafter. A **Breeder's Licence** will be issued when you report a confirmed pregnancy to the Department and pay the appropriate fee. No licence will be issued until payment has been received. **Note:** The approval-in-principle is not a Breeder's Licence, and a Breeder's Licence must be obtained **before** the puppies are born.
5. A Breeder's Licence is valid only for one specific dog (which will be identified by licence and microchip) and one specific premise. The licence will be valid for a maximum of 90 days beyond anticipated whelping date.
6. The breeder must report the birth of the litter to the Department.
7. The breeder must be able to identify each puppy individually and with certainty, either by gender, coat markings, coloured collars, non-toxic fingernail polish, some other technique or combination thereof.
8. Inherent in the Breeder's Licence is temporary permission to keep additional dogs on the premises. This permission pertains only to the puppies born of this licensed litter.
9. **For Restricted Breeds:** Each recipient of a restricted breed must be approved **prior** to receiving a puppy. The breeder should ensure that each recipient submits an application to acquire a restricted breed dog, and is approved before completing a sale/transfer of ownership. Ensuring there are capable recipients of the puppies will affect this application.
10. The breeder must have each puppy **identified by licence and microchip** before distribution to the new owner or by age ten weeks, whichever comes first. The licences shall be transferred to the new owners of the puppies.
11. The breeder will be issued dog licence registration forms on which he/she must record the required details about the new keepers of the puppies. New keepers must be aged 18 years or above. The dog licence registration forms must be returned to the Department within two weeks after:
 - a). the puppies turn age four months; or
 - b). all puppies have left the breeder's premises, whichever occurs first.

Contact the Animal Wardens at 239-2327 if you have any questions.



Breed Categories

Law imposes restrictions on the importation, breeding and keeping of the following breeds:

Prohibited Breeds	Restricted Breeds
Argentine mastiff (Dogo Argentino)	Akita
Boerboel (South African Mastiff)	Australian Cattle Dog
Brazilian Mastiff (Fila)	American Bulldog
Cane Corso	American Pit Bull Terrier
Neapolitan Mastiff	American Staffordshire Terrier
Presa Canario	Belgian Malinois
Tosa Inu	Bouvier des Flandres
Wolf	Bull Terrier
Wolf Hybrid	Bullmastiff
Any Cross of the above	Cão de Fila de São Miguel (Azorean Cattle Dog)
	Chow Chow
	Doberman Pinscher
	Dogue de Bordeaux
	Shepherd (all breeds thereof)
	Mastiff – English
	Rhodesian Ridgeback
	Rottweiler
	Olde English Bulldogge (Old English Bulldog)
	Staffordshire Bull Terrier
	Any Cross of the above

Any rare, exotic or uncommon breed may also be refused entry or permission to breed despite its absence from the above lists. You may contact us if you have a dog of a breed that may be perceived as dangerous.

Prohibited

- Dogs of these breeds may not be imported, bred or used for breeding.

Restricted

- Dogs of these breeds may be imported under permit once the conditions for importation and keeping have been fulfilled by the importer.
- New acquisitions of these dogs require pre-approval.
- Dogs of these breeds may be bred only following receipt of a Breeder's permit.



APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE TO BREED DOGS

1. Name of applicant _____
2. Home address _____
3. Address where puppies are to be raised (if different from above) _____

4. Telephones: Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____
5. List all dogs presently residing on premises, including dogs owned by persons in other households, and place a check mark beside each female do you wish to breed:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name	Breed	Gender	Licence Number
<input type="checkbox"/>				
<input type="checkbox"/>				
<input type="checkbox"/>				
<input type="checkbox"/>				

6. Which dog is the intended sire?

Owner's Name	Dog's Name	Breed	Licence Number

7. Describe area where dam and puppies are to be kept _____

8. Briefly state your knowledge and experience with raising pups and caring for pregnant bitches.

9. For external kennel facilities, have the facilities been approved by the Department of Planning?
() Yes () No () I have only indoor facilities to keep the puppies and dam
10. Do you have potential buyers for all of the puppies? Yes () No (). **For restricted breeds, buyers require pre-approval.**

11. Identify the recipients of the puppies who are prepared to receive & care for one or more puppies of this litter:

	Name	Address	Telephone
(a).			
(b).			
(c).			
(d).			
(e).			

12. If this Department receives an inquiry from a member of the public looking for a puppy of this breed, shall we give out your contact information? Yes () No ()



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13. Do you object to the Department consulting with your neighbours concerning this application? Yes () No ()

14. Additional comments: _____

13. I have received the conditions surrounding the breeding of dogs, and I am aware that I am responsible for upholding those conditions, and any condition specific to my licence.

Date _____ Signature of Applicant _____

If applicant is a tenant at the place where the puppies will be raised, have landlord (1) consent to breeding of dogs; and (2) for restricted breeds, acknowledge the need for secure fencing or a secure enclosure.

Landlord's name: _____

Address: _____

Telephones: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Landlord consent: **Granted** () **Denied** () Date _____ Signature of Landlord _____

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C/Rec No.: _____ Inspection Date: _____ Warden: _____

Acceptable	Unacceptable	
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Escape-proof kennel, enclosure or area
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Height & integrity of fence/wall sufficient to contain animal
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Protection from weather elements, drafts
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Whelping area offers privacy; away from household traffic
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Whelping box present, Heat lamp
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Whelping area is well lit to allow examination of dam and puppies at night
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Area surfaces are easy to clean / disinfect
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Hazards removed
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Suitability of applicant
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Suitability of dog
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Consent of property owner
Approval <input type="radio"/>	Conditional <input type="radio"/>	Denial <input type="radio"/>
Warden's recommendation/decision		

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