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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2009 No. 141**

**The Licensing of Animal Dealers (Young Cats  
and Young Dogs) (Scotland) Regulations 2009**

**Separation of young cats and young dogs**

**15.**—(1) A licence holder who acquires a young cat or young dog which is to be sold must keep the animal separately from any other animal kept by him or her for a period of not less than 10 days from the date of acquisition of the young cat or young dog.

(2) A licence holder must keep a young cat or young dog referred to in paragraph (1) at the premises specified in the animal dealing licence.

(3) A young cat or young dog acquired at the same time from the same source as another such animal may be kept with that animal during the period referred to in paragraph (1).

(4) If any other animal or animals join in the same part of the premises the young cat or young dog during the the period referred to in paragraph (1) a new 10 day period of separation from other animals must be commenced from the date the animals are joined together.

(5) A young cat or young dog must be examined by a veterinary surgeon during the first 24 hours of the period referred to in paragraph (1), and a licence holder must—

- (a) provide such care and treatment for the animal as is reasonably required by the veterinary surgeon; and
- (b) keep the animal until such time as the animal is fit to be sold.

(6) It is an offence for a person, without lawful authority or excuse, to contravene or fail to comply with any provision of this regulation, and such a person will be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months, or both.