
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 486

The Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018

PART 7

Review and provision of information to the Secretary of State

Review

- 28.**—(1) The Secretary of State must, from time to time—
- (a) carry out a review of the regulatory provision contained in these Regulations, and
 - (b) publish a report setting out the conclusions of the review.
- (2) The first report must be published before 1st October 2023.
- (3) Subsequent reports must be published at intervals not exceeding five years.
- (4) Section 30(4) of the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015⁽¹⁾ requires that a report published under this regulation must, in particular—
- (a) set out the objectives intended to be achieved by the regulatory provision mentioned in paragraph (1)(a),
 - (b) assess the extent to which those objectives are achieved,
 - (c) assess whether those objectives remain appropriate, and
 - (d) if those objectives remain appropriate, assess the extent to which they could be achieved in another way which involves less onerous regulatory provision.
- (5) In this regulation, “regulatory provision” has the same meaning as in sections 28 to 32 of the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 (see section 32 of that Act).

Provision of information to the Secretary of State

- 29.**—(1) Each local authority must provide the following information to the Secretary of State in writing for the purpose of assisting the Secretary of State to carry out the review in accordance with regulation 28—
- (a) the number of licences in force for each licensable activity in its area on each reference date, and
 - (b) the average level of fees it has charged for licences it has granted or renewed for each licensable activity in each reference period.
- (2) Each local authority must provide the information to the Secretary of State—
- (a) in electronic form, or secure that it is accessible to the Secretary of State in electronic form, and

(b) no later than the next 31st May following the relevant reference date.

(3) In this regulation—

“reference date” means 1st April each year beginning with 1st April 2019;

“reference period” means the period beginning with 1st October 2018 and ending with 31st March 2019, the year beginning with 1st April 2019 and each subsequent year beginning with an anniversary of 1st April 2019.