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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2018 No. 486**

**ANIMALS, ENGLAND**

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

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**THE ANIMAL WELFARE (LICENSING OF ACTIVITIES  
INVOLVING ANIMALS) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2018**

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Grant, renewal and variation with consent of a licence and inspection of premises

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7. Duty to assist in the taking of samples from animals
8. Hiring out horses: requirement for annual inspection of premises
9. Variation of a licence on the application, or with the consent, of a licence holder
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11. Persons who may not apply for a licence
12. Death of a licence holder
13. Fees
14. Guidance

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PART 3

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28. Review
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SCHEDULE 1 — Licensable activities

PART 1 — Business test

1. The circumstances which a local authority must take into account...

PART 2 — Selling animals as pets

2. Selling animals as pets (or with a view to their...

3. The activity described in paragraph 2 does not include—

PART 3 — Providing or arranging for the provision of boarding for cats or dogs

4. Providing or arranging for the provision of accommodation for other...

5. The activity described in paragraph 4 does not include keeping...

PART 4 — Hiring out horses

6. Hiring out horses in the course of a business for...

7. The activity described in paragraph 6 does not include any...

PART 5 — Breeding dogs

8. Either or both of the following— (a) breeding three or...
9. The activity described in paragraph 8 does not include—  
PART 6 — Keeping or training animals for exhibition
10. Keeping or training animals for exhibition in the course of...
11. The activity described in paragraph 10 does not include—

SCHEDULE 2 — General conditions

1. Licence display
2. Records
3. Use, number and type of animal
4. Staffing
5. Suitable environment
6. Suitable diet
7. Monitoring of behaviour and training of animals
8. Animal handling and interactions
9. Protection from pain, suffering, injury and disease
10. Emergencies

SCHEDULE 3 — Specific conditions: selling animals as pets

1. Interpretation
2. Records and advertisements
3. Prospective sales: pet care and advice
4. Suitable accommodation
5. Purchase and sale of animals
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SCHEDULE 4 — Specific conditions: providing boarding for cats or dogs

PART 1 — Providing boarding for cats

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3. Monitoring of behaviour and training of cats
4. Records
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PART 2 — Providing boarding in kennels for dogs

6. Interpretation
7. Suitable environment
8. Monitoring of behaviour and training
9. Records
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PART 3 — Providing home boarding for dogs

11. Interpretation
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15. Monitoring of behaviour and training
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PART 4 — Providing day care for dogs

19. Interpretation
20. No overnight stay
21. Suitable environment
22. Suitable diet

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23. Monitoring of behaviour and training
24. Housing apart from other dogs
25. Records
26. Protection from pain, suffering, injury and disease

SCHEDULE 5 — Specific conditions: hiring out horses

1. Interpretation
2. Eligibility
3. Supervision
4. Suitable environment
5. Suitable diet
6. Protection from pain, suffering, injury and disease
7. Equipment

SCHEDULE 6 — Specific conditions: breeding dogs

1. Advertisements and sales
2. Suitable environment
3. Suitable diet
4. Monitoring of behaviour and training
5. Housing with or apart from other dogs
6. Protection from pain, suffering, injury and disease

SCHEDULE 7 — Specific conditions: keeping or training animals for exhibition

1. Insurance
2. Emergencies
3. Suitable environment
4. Monitoring of behaviour and training
5. Housing with or apart from other animals
6. Records
7. Protection from pain, suffering, injury and disease

SCHEDULE 8 — Persons who may not apply for a licence

1. A person who has at any time held a licence...
2. A person who has at any time held a licence...
3. A person who has at any time held a licence...
4. A person who is disqualified under section 33 of the...
5. A person who has at any time held a licence...
6. A person who is disqualified under section 34 of the...
7. A person who is disqualified under section 40(1) and (2)...
8. A person who is disqualified under section 4(1) of the...
9. A person who is disqualified under Article 33A of the...
10. A person who is disqualified under section 6(2) of the...
11. A person who is disqualified under section 3(3) of the...
12. A person who is disqualified under section 4(3) of the...
13. A person who is disqualified under section 3(3) of the...
14. A person who is disqualified under section 5(3) of the...
15. A person who is disqualified under section 1(1) of the...
16. A person who is disqualified under section 4(2) of the...
17. A person who is disqualified under section 3 of the...

SCHEDULE 9 — Repeals and consequential amendments

1. Performing Animals (Regulation) Act 1925
2. Pet Animals Act 1951

3. Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963
4. Riding Establishments Act 1964
5. Breeding of Dogs Act 1973
6. Local Government Act 1974
7. Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976
8. Zoo Licensing Act 1981
9. Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986
10. Breeding of Dogs Act 1991
11. Breeding and Sale of Dogs (Welfare) Act 1999
12. Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000
13. Courts Act 2003
14. Criminal Justice Act 2003
15. Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Act 2008
16. Deregulation Act 2015

SCHEDULE 10 — Revocations and consequential amendments

1. Performing Animals Rules 1925
2. Sale of Dogs (Identification Tag) Regulations 1999
3. Breeding of Dogs (Licensing Records) Regulations 1999

Explanatory Note