

Response to Request for Information

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Dog Breeding License

Request:

1. 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)?

In Wolverhampton we take the view that a person is presumed to be carrying out the business of breeding dogs for sale where, they breed and sell more than two litters in a 12 month period, or during any 12 month period, five or more litters are born to his/her bitches which are:

- (a) kept by him at any premises during any period of 12 months;
 - (b) kept by any relative of his at those premises;
 - (c) kept by him elsewhere; and
 - (d) kept by any person under a breeding arrangement with him
2. Please state the number of breeders in your local authority in 2014 and to date in 2015:
Number of breeders licensed in 2014: **Nil**.
Number of breeders licensed in 2015 (to date): **Nil**.
 3. Do staff, on behalf of your local authority, carry out visits relating to dog breeding and licensing? (Please state yes/no and give details of purpose e.g. inspect dog housing, breeding facilities etc.)? **No**.
 4. Is a visit/inspection carried out when a breeder or breeding establishment is first licensed? **N/A**
 5. How frequently do they need to renew their license? **N/A**
 6. Are breeders then revisited if they renew their breeding license? **N/A**
 7. Please indicate the number of staff within your authority which carry out these inspections/visits: **N/A**
 8. Please state the job title/s of the individual/s who carry out this visit (e.g. environmental officer, vets, etc.) **N/A**
 9. How many breeder visits and/or inspections have been carried out in 2014 and to date in 2015:
Number of breeder visits in 2014: **Nil**.

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Number of breeders visits in 2015 (to date): Nil.

10. Have you revoked any breeder licenses in 2014 and to date in 2015? (if yes please provide figures):

Number of breeders' licenses revoked in 2014: Nil.

Number of breeders' licenses revoked in 2015 (so far): Nil.