

CITY OF
WOLVERHAMPTON
C O U N C I L

Response to Request for Information

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Pet Shop Licenses

Request:

1. Provide the name and address of all licenced pet shops. (Please also include any that are currently in application for a licence).
2. For each licensed pet shop, please return a copy of the schedule to the licence.

In response to questions 1 and 2 please see information below.

The Village Pet Shop, 8 High Street, Wednesfield, Wolverhampton

SCHEDULE

Animals permitted to be kept

Parrots	Rats and Mice
Pigeons	Other Large Birds
Budgies & Finches	Snakes
Chinchillas and Chipmunks	Lizards
Rabbits/Cavies	Tropical Fish
Gerbils/Hamsters	Coldwater Fish

The Petshop, 32b Queen Street, Wolverhampton

SCHEDULE

Animals permitted to be kept

Rabbits	Cockatiel
Guinea Pigs	Coldwater Fish
Budgies & Finches	Tropical Fish
Gerbils/hamsters	

Walker Aquatics, 59 High Street, Bilston, Wolverhampton

SCHEDULE

Animals permitted to be kept

Budgies & Finchies	Rabbits / Cavies
Gerbils / Hamsters	Rats & Mice
Tortoises	Snakes
Lizards	Tropical Fish
Coldwater Fish	Spiders
Other Large Birds	

Pets at Home Ltd, Unit 2, St Johns Retail Park, Wolverhampton, WV2 4SJ

SCHEDULE

Animals permitted to be kept

Degus	Reptiles & Amphibians
Chinchillas	Tropical Fish
Rabbits	Marine Fish
Cavies	Coldwater Fish
Hamsters	Rats & Gerbils

Just for Pets, Unit 3 Wednesfield Way, Bentley Bridge Retail Park, Wolverhampton

SCHEDULE

Animals permitted to be kept

Budges & Finches	Snakes
Chinchillas & Chipmunks	Lizards
Rabbits/cavies	Tropical Fish
Gerbils/Hamsters	Coldwater Fish
Rats & Mice	

Pet Goods Online Ltd, Unit B6, Oxford Street Ind. ES, Off Fulcan Road, Bilston, West Midlands, WV14 7LF

SCHEDULE

Animals permitted to be kept

Chinchillas	Tortoises
Chipmunks	Snakes
Rabbits/Cavies	Lizards
Gerbils/Hamsters	Tropical Fish
Rats and Mice	Coldwater Fish

3. Please provide details of any conditions attached to the licence.

LICENCE CONDITIONS

1.0 ACCOMMODATION

- 1.1 Animals must at all times be kept in accommodation suitable with respect to construction, size, temperature, lighting, ventilation and cleanliness.
- 1.2 Animals must not be exposed to draughts and must be kept in an environment suitable to the species. If animals are displayed outdoors, they should have protection appropriate to their species.
- 1.3 Housing must be constructed of non-porous materials or be appropriately treated.
- 1.4 Animals must not be kept in housing in such a way that they can be interfered with by other animals or the public.
- 1.5 All livestock, for sale, must be readily accessible and easy to inspect.
- 1.6 Accommodation must be cleaned as often as necessary to maintain good hygiene standards, consistent with the rate of stock turnover.
- 1.7 Where accommodation is on a tiered system, water, food or other droppings must not be allowed to enter the lower housing.
- 1.8 All accessories provided in the accommodation must be suitable for the species.

2.0 EXERCISE FACILITIES

- 2.1 Facilities must be available where appropriate.
(For example, in the case of puppies, if they are kept longer than five days, an exercise pen should be provided).

3.0 REGISTER OF ANIMALS

- 3.1 A livestock purchase register must be maintained for all livestock. (Relevant legal documentation must be obtained for species covered under CITES, Council Regulation EC No 338/97 and Commission Regulation EC No 939/97.

A sales register must be maintained for:-

- (i) puppies;
- (ii) kittens;
- (iii) psittacines;
- (iv) any species covered by CITES

(This can be cross referenced to an invoice file. The purpose of the register is to ascertain the source of livestock and for emergency contact of purchaser. The name and telephone number of the purchaser is, therefore sufficient).

4.0 STOCKING NUMBERS AND DENSITIES

The maximum numbers of animals to be stocked on the premises will be governed by the accommodation available, as defined by the stocking density lists detailed in the schedules set out below.

5.0 HEALTH, DISEASE AND ACCLIMATISATION

- 5.1 All stock sold must be in good health as far as can be reasonably determined without veterinary inspection.
- 5.2 Any sick or injured animal must receive appropriate care and treatment without delay.
(This may include euthanasia).
- 5.3 Veterinary advice should be sought whenever necessary.
- 5.4 Any animal with an obvious, significant abnormality which would materially affect its quality of life, must not be offered for sale. When in doubt, veterinary advice should be sought.
- 5.5 All animals must be allowed a suitable acclimatisation period before sale.
- 5.6 The facility to isolate sick animals must be provided.
- 5.7 All reasonable precautions must be taken to prevent the outbreak and spread of disease. No animal which is suffering from, or could reasonably be suspected of having come into contact with any other animal suffering from, any infectious or contagious disease, or which is infested with parasites, shall be brought into or kept on the premises unless effectively isolated.
- 5.8 Puppies and kittens must be kept separate from other litters.
- 5.9 All necessary precautions must be taken to prevent the introduction to the premises, and harbourage, of rodents, insects and other pests.
(‘Rodent’ and ‘insect’ excludes livestock for sale or for feeding).

6.0 FOOD AND DRINK

- 6.1 Animals must be supplied with adequate amounts of food and drink, appropriate to their needs, and at suitable intervals.

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6.2 All food must be suitable for the species concerned.

6.3 Food and drink receptacles must be constructed and positioned to minimise faecal contamination.

6.4 A sufficient number of receptacles must be provided and cleaned at regular intervals.

7.0 FOOD STORAGE

7.1 All food, excluding live foods, intended for feeding to livestock on the premises, must be stored in impervious closed containers.

7.2 The containers and equipment used for feeding must be kept in a clean condition.

8.0 OBSERVATION

8.1 All livestock must be attended to at regular intervals, appropriate to the species.
(In no circumstances will this be less than daily).

9.0 EXCRETA AND SOILED BEDDING

9.1 All excreta and soiled bedding must be stored in impervious containers with close fitting lids.

9.2 Excreta and soiled bedding should be removed from the premises on a regular basis, at least weekly, and disposed of to the satisfaction of the appropriate local authority and in accordance with current regulations and good waste management practice.

9.3 All containers must be kept in a clean condition.

10.0 TRANSPORTATION

10.1 When receiving stock, a licensee must make every effort to ensure that it is transported in a suitable manner.

10.2 Any livestock received or consigned shall be transported according to the regulations laid down by The Welfare of Animals (Transport) Order 1997 or other relevant legislation recommendations.
(For air transportation, the IATA guidelines must be followed. For rail transportation, the British Rail guidelines must be followed).

11.0 TRANSPORTATION CONTAINERS

11.1 Livestock must be transported or handed to purchasers in suitable containers.

12.0 SALE OF LIVESTOCK

12.1 All stock sold must be in good health as far as can be reasonably determined without veterinary inspection.

12.2 No mammal shall be sold unweaned or, if weaned, at an age at which it should not have been weaned.

12.3 In the case of non-mammals, they must be capable of feeding themselves.

13.0 DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS

13.1 The keeping and / or sale of dangerous wild animals is strictly prohibited.

14.0 PET CARE ADVICE

14.1 PTIA Pet Care leaflets or other similar written instructions should be made available to customers where appropriate at the time of purchase.

14.2 Purchasers of accessories should, where necessary, be given proper advice as to their maintenance and use.

14.3 The PTIA Pet Store Manual or other appropriate reference books must always be available for use by staff.

15.0 STAFF TRAINING AND LIVESTOCK KNOWLEDGE

15.1 No animal should be stocked or sold unless the staff (or a member of the staff) is familiar with the care and welfare of that animal.

15.2 In respect of new applications, at least one member of staff working at the licensed premises must hold the City and Guilds Pet Store Management Certificate, or some other appropriate qualification, or must be in the course of training to take the examination (within two years of the introduction of these conditions).

15.3 The licensee must formulate a written training policy for all permanent staff, and will be required to demonstrate that systematic training is carried out.

16.0 FIRE AND OTHER EMERGENCY PRECAUTIONS

16.1 Suitable emergency precautions and written procedures shall exist and be made known to all staff, including arrangements for evacuation of livestock.

16.2 Entrances and exits must be clear of obstructions at all times.

16.3 Fire extinguishers must be provided and sited as approved by the local Fire Protection/Prevention Officer.

16.4 The fire-fighting equipment must be maintained in good working order.

16.5 The licensee, or a designated keyholder, must at all times be within reasonable distance of the premises and available to visit the premises in case of emergency.

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16.6 A list of keyholders must be lodged with the local police and fire brigade.

16.7 An emergency telephone number must be displayed at the front of the shop; this may either be the keyholder's number or the emergency telephone no 999.

16.8 When pet shops are sited within other premises, the licensee or keyholders must have access at all times to the premises containing livestock.

17.0 SALE OF LIVESTOCK

17.1 No animal should be sold to a person under the age of 16 years who is unknown to the retailer unless that person is accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or provides appropriate written consent. Subsequent sales to a juvenile less than 16 years (but over 12 years) of age who is known to the retailer can be carried out in the absence of a parent or legal guardian or appropriate written consent, provided that the retailer is satisfied as far as possible that:-

- (i) the parent / guardian would not object to the acquisition;
- (ii) the juvenile is sufficiently knowledgeable as to the needs, care and nature of the species acquired;
- (iii) the juvenile's intention towards the acquisition is consistent with the well being of the animal concerned.

18.0 APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE

18.1 Although not provided for in the Act, it is recommended that applicants consult their local authority prior to submitting an application.

19.0 TRADE ASSOCIATIONS

19.1 Licensees are recommended to apply for membership of an appropriate trade organisation which might act as a point of reference should any disputes over the licence conditions arise.

4. Please provide a list of the wild/non-domesticated mammal, bird, reptile and amphibian species that each pet shop is licensed to sell.

SCHEDULE 1 STOCKING DENSITIES - CAGED BIRDS

	Length (cm)	FLOOR AREA (sq.cm)			Length (cm)	S
		Single	Each Additional			
Parrots, Parakeets, Budgerigars, etc						
African Grey:		1250	625	Parakeet	up to 25	:
Amazon	Up to 35	1000	500	(include. Conure,	25-35	:
	35-40	1250	625	Kakariki, Rosella	over 35	:
	over 40	2000	750	Parrot	up to 30	:
Budgerigar		650	200	(include. Caique, Pronus	30-35	:
Cockatiel		1000	250	Senegal, Meyer's)	over 35	:
Cockatoo:	up to 35	1250	625	Parrotlet		:
	35-40	2000	1000	Hanging Parrot		:
	over 40	2750	1325	Lorries and	up to 22.5	:
Lovebird		750	200	Lorikeets	22.5 - 30	:
Macaw	up to 40	1250	625		over 30	:
	40-60	2250	1000			:
	over 60	3750	1200			:
Seedeaters						
Canary		650	250	Quail	up to 15	:
Cardinal		1000	250		15-20	:
Dove and Pigeon	up to 22.5	450	250		over 20	:
	over 22.5	1250	625	Weaver	up to 15	:
Finch (including,	up to 12.5	650	100		over 15	:
Mannikin Silverbill	12.5 - 17.5	750	150	Whydah (male	up to 40	:
Sparrow Waxbill)	over 17.5	1000	200	with full tail)	over 40	:
Grossbeak		1000	200	- female and male in non-breeding plumage as Weaver		:
Softbills						
Barbet	up to 20	1250	275	Starling (Including	up to 20	:
	over 20	1400	450	small mynahs)	over 20	:
Bulbil, Fruitsucker		1000	250	Tanager, Sugar bird	up to 15	:
Fairy bluebird, Oriole		1250	250		over 15	:
Jay, Jay-thrush	up to 25	1500	250	Thrush (include. Shama)		:
(Laughing thrush)	25-35	2000	500	Toucan		:
Magpie	over 35	4000	1000	Toucanette, Aracari		:
Mynah hill		1500	250	Tlouraco		:
Pekin Robin, Mesia		1000	200	Zosterops		:

NB. All birds should be housed in accommodation which allows the full spreading of wings.

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SCHEDULE 2 STOCKING DENSITIES - SMALL MAMMALS						
SPECIES	Minimum Floor Area* (sq.cm)		Minimum Cage Height (cm)	SPECIES	Minimum Floor Area* (sq.cm)	
	Single	Each Additional			Single	Each Additional
Mice	200	50	20	Guinea Pigs	700	175
Hamsters	300	75	20	Rabbits	2000	500
Gerbils	300	75	20	Kittens	2000	500
Rats	500	125	20	Puppies	10000	2500

*Minimum floor areas apply to young stock. For adult stock offered for sale the dimensions should be doubled. For advice on the age of stock you are advised to contact the veterinary surgeon.

NB. The range of behavioural opportunities for many of the animals listed in the above Schedule will be increased by enriching the environment with such accessories as shredded paper, pieces of wood, toilet rolls, lengths of piping etc.

The installation of shelving in rabbit cages is particularly beneficial to rabbits as they like to spend a lot of time off the cage floor.

SCHEDULE 3 STOCKING DENSITIES - ORNAMENTAL FISH

It is virtually impossible to determine the quantity of fish to be kept in a tank purely on weight/volume or numbers of fish/volume. The variation in system design, husbandry techniques and types of fish involved would render any such method too simple to be useful or too complicated to be practical.

The maintenance of water quality standards is essential and is a simple but effective way to determine stocking densities.

WATER QUALITY CRITERIA (1mg/litre - 1ppm)

Cold Water						
	*Dissolved Oxygen	-min	6mg / litre	Nitrate	-max	0.2mg / litre
	*Free Ammonia	-max	0.02mg / litre	Nitrate	-max	50mg / litre above
Tropical Fish						
	*Dissolved Oxygen	-min	6mg / litre	Nitrate	-max	0.2mg / litre
	*Free Ammonia	-max	0.02mg / litre	Nitrate	-max	50mg / litre above amb
Tropical Marine Species						
	*Dissolved Oxygen	-min	5.5mg / litre	Nitrate	-max	0.125mg / litre
	*Free Ammonia	-max	0.01mg / litre	Nitrate	-max	40mg / litre. This is an a not relate to ambient taj
	*pH (tropical marine only)	-min	8.1			

*These parameters should be checked first. Only if a problem exists with these tests is it necessary to check nitrate and nitrate levels.

SCHEDULE 4 STOCKING DENSITIES - OTHER SPECIES

Accommodation must be provided appropriate to size, age and type of species.

Further advice may be obtained from organisations such as the Pet Trade and Industry Association, the Universities' Federation for Animal Welfare, The British Herpetological Society etc.

The Association of District Councils
 26 Chapter Street
 London SW1P 4NB Tel: 0171 233 6868

The British Veterinary Association
 7 Mansfield Street
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The Pet Trade and Industry Association
 103 High Street
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