

Zoo Licensing - Eligibility Criteria

The Local Authority may refuse to grant a licence if:

(a) the applicant, or

(b) (where the applicant is a body corporate) the body or any director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body, or

(c) any person employed as a keeper in the zoo,

has been convicted of an offence under any of the following Acts or of any other offence involving the ill-treatment of animals:

- The Zoo Licensing Act 1981
- The Protection of Animals Act 1911
- The Protection of Animals (Scotland) Acts 1912 and 1964
- The Performing Animals (Regulation) Act 1925
- The Pet Animals Act 1951
- The Animals (Cruel Poisons) Act 1962
- The Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963
- The Riding Establishments Act 1964 and 1970
- The Breeding of Dogs Act 1973
- The Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976
- The Endangered Species (Import and Export) Act 1976
- Part 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
- Sections 4, 5, 6(1) and (2), 7 to 9 and 11 of the Animal Welfare Act 2006
- Section 13(6) of the Animal Welfare Act 2006, so far as the offence arises from the contravention of section 13(1) of that Act in relation to dog breeding in Wales
- Section 13(6) of the Animal Welfare Act 2006, so far as the offence arises from the contravention of section 13(1) of that Act in relation to the carrying on of an activity in England
- The Animal Welfare (Breeding of Dogs) (Wales) Regulations 2014
- The Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018
- (5A)sections 28C or 28F(16) of the Animal Health Act 1981 (c. 22)
- Sections 19 to 24, 25(7), 29 or 40(11) of the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 11).]