

Dog Breeding Establishment Inspection Checklist

Applicant: <u>Brendan Haughey</u>	
Applicant's Address: <u>Creggan</u>	
Date of Application: <u>12.03.25</u>	Inspecting Officer: [REDACTED] Date of Inspection: <u>12.03.25</u>
Address of Premises: <u>As above</u>	
Number of bitches <u>14</u>	Number of dogs <u>1</u>

1 Accommodation & Environment		Score awarded
(1) Accommodation that is durable and appropriate in:		
(a) Construction		3
(b) Size		3
(c) exercise facilities		3
(d) Temperature		3
(e) Lighting		3
(f) Ventilation		3
(g) Cleanliness		3
(h) Waste disposal		3
(i) Pest control		3
(j) Drainage		3
(2) Measures taken for protection of persons in case of fire or other emergency		3
(3) Adequate clean bedding provided for each dog and renewed when soiled		3
2 Whelping facilities		
(1) Designated area prior to whelping with a suitable whelping box / bed		3

(2) Adequate heating facilities, secure and safe and capable of providing the range of temperatures suitable for both pups and bitch.		3
(3) An area within the whelping kennel where a bitch can rest away from her pups.		3
(4) Additional Supervision provided		3
2 Diet		
(1) Suitable quantity and quality of food daily for the type and breed of the dog - Access to drinking water - Individual requirements considered - Dishes cleaned		3
(2) Food preparation facilities - Clean and well maintained - Refrigeration available		3
4 Normal Behaviour		
(1) Regular access to adequate facilities to enable dogs to exhibit normal behaviour patterns through play, interaction and relief from boredom		3
(2) Regular exercise suitable to the breed and size of the dog (where not detrimental to the health of the dog) - Indoor/outdoor - Written exercise programme		3
(3) Supervision - Over 16		3
(4) Staffing - Adequate and competent		3
5 Socialisation		

written socialisation programme for puppies Socialisation observed (where biosecurity allows) Programme in operation Programme reflect requirements of differing breeds		3
6 Enhancement and enrichment		
Written enhancement and enrichment programme for bitches, stud dogs and other dogs Implementation verified Programme reflect requirements of differing breeds		3
7 Health & Welfare		
(1) Inspect dogs regularly throughout day and night where required		3
(2) Protect dogs from pain, suffering, injury & disease (reasonable steps)		3
(3) Prevent & control spread of infectious / contagious diseases amongst dogs (reasonable steps)		3
(4) Adequate / suitable isolation facilities to- (a) House a sick dog pending veterinary treatment; and (b) Recuperation where appropriate		3
(5) No continual exposure to direct sunlight		3
(6) A dog shall receive any necessary veterinary treatment inc vaccinations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Registration with Veterinary surgeon - Advise Council if change - Medicines - Breeding - First Aid Kit - Fire - Transport - Retirement 		3
8 Mating		

A breeding bitch shall not		
(a) Be mated until she is over 12 months old		3
(b) Give birth to more than 3 litters in any 3 year period (or bred in any consecutive heat period);		3
(c) Give birth to more than 6 litters of pups in total; and		3
(d) Be mated after 8 years old unless veterinary certification is granted		3
9 Change of ownership of a puppy		
A licence holder shall retain ownership & possession of a puppy until at least 8 wks - Advice/information - Disqualification		3
10 Identification of breeding bitches and other dogs		
(1) All breeding bitches & other dogs to be identified with a microchip. (exceptions)		3
(2) Where a breeding bitch / other dog arrives on any premises and has not been microchipped, the licence holder shall microchip the dog within 7 days.		3
11 Identification of puppies		
(1) The holder of a licence shall ensure that a puppy shall be identified with a microchip before it is 8 wks		3
12 Record keeping requirements		
The licence holder to maintain a record for each breeding bitch, puppy and retired dogs kept on the premises inc details of their sale.		3

TOTAL SCORES	1'S		2'S		3'S		
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SCORING

1	Does not meet the minimum requirements
2	Meets minimum standard with limitations
3	meets the minimum standard

OPTIONS FOR ENFORCEMENT	
Where scores of 1 are recorded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revoke licence • Withhold licence pending compliance • Re-visit within short space of time to ensure compliance • Warning letter detailing remedial actions required and consequences of non- compliance • Refer to Animal Welfare if required • Increase number of unannounced visits in-year.
Where scores of 2 are recorded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Withhold licence pending compliance • Warning letter detailing remedial actions required and consequences of non-compliance • Issue licence • Further scheduled inspections • Increased unannounced visits in-year.
Where only scores of 3 are recorded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue licence. • One further inspection in-year.

