

# APPLICATION FOR LICENCE TO KEEP DANGEROUS WILD ANIMAL(S)

Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976



Please read accompanying notes before completing this form

## Part 1 Applicant Details

1. Title: Mr  Mrs  Miss  Ms  Dr  Other (specify)

2. Full name:

3. Home Address:

4. Contact Details: Daytime Telephone:  Email Address:

## Part 2 Animal Details

Number of Animals	Species	Premises where animals will normally be held
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Part 3 Keeper Details

Full names and addresses of persons other than applicant who will be involved in keeping the animal(s)

a.

b.

c.

## Part 4 Insurance

Details of Insurance Policy to cover liability for damage caused by animal(s)

Company:

Policy no.:  Expiry date:  Sum Insured:

## Part 5 Declaration and Checklist (tick)

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained in this application is true.

I enclose/have paid the appropriate fee for this application.  
Cheques should be made payable to the London Borough of Barking & Dagenham.

I agree to pay the cost of a veterinary officer's inspection of my premises and understand that this will be charged at an hourly rate and that I will be advised of the total amount due once the inspection has been completed.

I hereby apply for a licence to keep the aforementioned animal(s) at the premises specified.

I declare that I am not under the age of 18.

I declare that I am not disqualified under the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976 from keeping any dangerous wild animal.

## Part 6 Signature

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent.  
If signing on behalf of applicant, please state in what capacity.

Signature

Print name

Capacity

Date

*Where the application is to be submitted in an electronic form, the signature should be generated electronically and should be a copy of the person's written signature.*

## Part 7 Contact Details

5. Please give the name of a person who can be contacted about the application

6. Please give one or more telephone numbers at which the person in question 5 above can be contacted

7. Postal address for correspondence associated with this application

## NOTES

**Please read the following instructions first before completing the form.**

- If you are completing the form by hand, please write legibly in block capitals using ink.
- Use additional sheets, if necessary, marked with the number of the relevant questions.
- You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

1. Please give scientific names, if possible, of animal(s) to be kept.
2. The Insurance Policy must provide adequate cover for animal(s) which you have on site. You must ensure the policy provides sufficient cover against any damage which may be caused in the event of escape. The level of insurance will depend on many factors which may include the species and number of animals to be kept.

The Insurance Policy must be produced to an inspecting officer if required

3. The fee is such sum as, in the authority's opinion, is sufficient to meet the direct and indirect costs which they may incur as a result of this application.
4. The cost of the veterinary officer's premises inspection will be charged at an hourly rate. You will be notified of the vet's cost once the inspection has been completed. This will become payable prior to the grant of the Licence.
5. Where a person is convicted of any offence under the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976, or of any offence listed below, will disqualify him from keeping any dangerous wild animal.
  - The Protection of Animals Acts 1911 and 1964;
  - The Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act 1912;
  - 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 Acts 1964 and 1970;
  - Breeding of Dogs Act 1973 and 1991;
  - Animal Welfare Act 2006 Sections 4,5,6(1)(2), 7 to 9 and 11

## **GUIDANCE NOTES**

1. No person may keep a dangerous wild animal without a licence from the Local Authority under the above Act.
2. The Local Authority shall not grant a licence under the Act unless it is satisfied that:-
  - Animals will be kept in suitable accommodation which is escape-proof and suitable as regards constructions, size, temperature, lighting, ventilation, drainage, cleanliness and appropriate to the number of animals to be accommodated.
  - The animal will be supplied with suitable food, drink and bedding and shall be visited suitable intervals.
  - The animal is able to take adequate exercise within its accommodation.
  - Adequate fire precautions have been taken to ensure the animals safety in the case of fire.
  - All reasonable precautions have been taken to prevent the spread of infectious or contagious diseases.
3. A licence will not be granted if it is contrary to the public interest on the grounds of safety, nuisance or if the applicant is not a suitable person etc.
4. A licence will not normally be granted unless the licence is for the person who both owns and possesses the animal.
5. A licence will not be issued without a veterinary inspectors' report.
6. A licence will not be issued to any person under 18 years of age.
7. A licence may contain conditions to ensure compliance with the Act. This will include a restriction upon the numbers of animals.
8. The licence will be renewable after a period of two years for a fee.

## **Further information**

Copies of the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976 can be downloaded free of charge from the [National Archives](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1976/38) website at <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1976/38>

The Animal Welfare Act 2006, places responsibilities for care and welfare of an animal, on persons who are in charge of an animal, whether on a permanent or temporary basis.

More information can be found on the [DEFRA](http://www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-pets/) website at <http://www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-pets/>

## **Trade Associations**

[WAZA](http://waza.org.uk) - World Association of Zoos and Aquariums

<http://biaza.org.uk>

[BIAZA](http://waza.org/home/index.php) - British and Irish Association of Zoos and Aquariums

<http://waza.org/home/index.php>

[RCVS](http://rcvs.org.uk/home/) - Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons

<http://rcvs.org.uk/home/>