

LIMAVADY BOROUGH COUNCIL
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THE DOGS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1983

APPLICATION FOR DOG LICENCE

Please complete this form using block letters and then take or send it with the appropriate fee to the Limavady Borough Council, 7 Connell Street, Limavady, BT49 OHA.

Full name and address of applicant: Mr/Mrs/Miss:

Day time telephone number:

Address of premises at which dog is kept if different from above:

DESCRIPTION OF DOG

Colour: Breed: Sex:

Age: Distinguishing Marks:

Name: Kennel Club or other Registration Number:

Has dog been neutered? yes no Is dog microchipped? yes no

If Yes, please enter microchip identification no:

Fees: Full price fee of £5.00 or the half price abatement fee.

I apply for a licence for the Dog described above and enclose appropriate fee of £ . I declare that the information given is correct in every respect, and that I am not under 16 years of age and that I have not been disqualified from keeping a dog under the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1972.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

For Official Use Only
Licence No: _____
Issued By: _____
Date: _____

WARNING: An applicant for a licence or for an abatement of dog licence who knowingly and wilfully makes a statement in this form which is false in a material particular is liable to prosecution.

(Only write below this line if your are applying for an abatement)

ABATEMENT OF DOG LICENCE FEE

I further declare that I have attained the age of 65, that I live alone, that I normally keep the dog described above in my possessions and that I have not previously been granted an abatement of licence fee in respect of any dog in the past twelve months. I apply for abatement of the licence fee.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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Abatement granted: _____
Initials: _____

NOTES FOR GUIDANCE

1. Who needs a Dog Licence?

Anyone who owns a dog or who is about to obtain a dog must have a valid licence. It is an offence to give or sell someone a dog unless that person can produce a valid licence for that animal.

2. Are there any exceptions?

Yes. Guide dogs for the blind are exempt and, in some circumstances, puppies. The Environmental Health Department will be happy to advise you.

3. How much does a single Licence cost?

£5.00, but a person aged 65 or over and living alone is entitled to buy one dog licence at half price. Application for these can be made at the Council Offices or at any Post Office. Cheques or Postal Orders should be made payable to Limavady Borough Council. Anyone with three or more dogs should enquire about a block licence (See 5 below).

4. How long does a Licence last?

- (a) First licence – one year from date of issue.
- (b) Renewal – one year from the expiry date of the previous licence.

5. Who can get a Block Licence?

Any person who keeps on the same premises 3 or more unsterilised bitches any of which is used for breeding; or 3 or more dogs (including bitches) registered with the Kennel Club or other approved registering organisation, or if a person keeps as part of registered guard dog kennels 3 or more dogs which are used as guard dogs elsewhere. A block licence costs £12.50.

6. Can a Licence be transferred?

Yes. If your dog dies and you hold a valid licence, you can apply for a Certificate to transfer that licence to a replacement dog.

7. Can I get a refund of Licence fee?

Yes – but only if within 30 days from the date of issue (a) you do not get a dog; or (b) you dispose of the dog, or (c) the dog dies.

8. It is an offence to apply for or obtain a licence if you are under the age of 16 or while you are disqualified from keeping a dog under Section 27 of the Welfare of Animals Act (NI) 1972.

9. Further information and guidance on the above can be obtained from the Council Offices, 7 Connell Street, Limavady, BT49 OHA during normal office hours:

(Mon – Fri 9.00am – 5.00pm). **Tel:** Limavady 028 777 22226/60302.

E mail: ehhealth@limavady.gov.uk **Website:** www.limavady.gov.uk

10. Enquiries regarding a missing dog may be made at the Council Offices or at:

Derry City Council
Dog Kennels
Pennyburn Industrial Estate
Pennyburn
DERRY

Tel: 028 7126 1414 (Hours of opening: Mon – Fri 10.00am – 11.00am and 3.30pm – 4.30pm)

11. Limavady Borough Council is committed to ensuring a clean and safe environment. Under the Litter (NI) Order 1994 dog foul must be lifted and disposed of properly by the keeper of the dog. Failure to do so may result in a £50 fixed penalty and/or a maximum fine of £500.