



# DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS ACT 1976

## Application for Licence to Keep Dangerous Wild Animal(s)

### APPLICANT'S DETAILS block capitals

Full Name of Applicant	
Date of Birth	
National Insurance No	
Daytime telephone number	
Email Address	
Home Address	
Address of premises at which the animals will normally be held	

### APPLICATION DETAILS – continue of separate page if necessary

Specify the species of animal and the number of animals of each species either kept or proposed to be kept	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....
Do you own <b>and</b> possess all the animals listed above?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> give details of ownership and possession ..... ..... .....
Do you hold a current insurance policy? The policy must insure you against liability for any damage which may be caused by the animal(s) listed above?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Please enclose with your application documentary evidence that you hold such insurance  No <input type="checkbox"/> What steps you are taking to obtain such insurance? ..... .....
Do you intend to breed from the animal?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you intend to remove the animals from the premises identified above, for any reason?	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> - give details ..... ..... .....

<b>ACCOMMODATION DETAILS – continue of separate page if necessary</b>	
Please give information about the accommodation in which the animal(s) listed above will be held	
a) Construction / How will escape be prevented	
b) Size	
c) Arrangements for i. Drainage ii. Ventilation iii. Temperature control iv. Lighting	..... ..... ..... .....
d) Arrangements for i. provision, storage and preparation of food / drink ii. ensuring adequate exercise iii. ensuring veterinary care iv. controlling the spread of infectious disease v. fire or other emergencies vi. disposal of excreta	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....

<b>Have you ever been convicted of an offence under the following Acts of Parliament?</b>		
a) Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	If 'Yes', please give details of the date, court and sentence
b) Animal Welfare Act 2006	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	
c) Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	.....
d) The Pet Animals Act 1951 (as amended)	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	.....
e) The Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	.....
f) The Breeding of Dogs Act 1973 (as amended)	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	.....
g) Riding Establishments Acts 1964 & 1970	No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	.....

**I declare that the answers to the above questions are correct to the best of my knowledge**

It is agreed that an officer, veterinary surgeon or veterinary practitioner authorised by the Council may inspect the premises which are the subject of this application before any licence is granted. The cost of any independent veterinarian required by the Council, as part of the application process will be charged to the applicant as an additional fee.

**The fee of £200.00 must accompany this application.** Cheques payable to 'Erewash Borough Council'

Signed\* ..... Dated .....

\* If signing on behalf of a Company or Partnership, state in what capacity

**If the application is withdrawn by the applicant after submission a non-returnable minimum charge of £20 for administration costs. No refund is given once a site visit has been made.**

To **Erewash Borough Council,**  
Environmental Health, Merlin House, Merlin Way, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 4RA

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### GUIDANCE NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

Under the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976, a person wishing to keep any animals of any of the species listed in the Schedule to the Act must apply for a licence from Erewash Borough Council. The object of the Act is to ensure that dangerous wild animals are only kept in circumstances which create no risk to the public and which safeguard the welfare of the animal.

Failure to obtain a licence or breach of any of the conditions of a licence is a criminal offence punishable on summary conviction by a fine. Further powers are given to Erewash Borough Council in certain circumstances to seize and dispose of animals without compensation where provisions of the Act are broken.

It is important to remember that a licence under this Act must be obtained **BEFORE** any of the prescribed animals can be kept within the area controlled by Erewash Borough Council. Failure to do this may well result in unnecessary expense being incurred in disposing of the animal if your application for a licence is unsuccessful.

In order to deal with your application, it will be necessary for the Council to obtain a report from an independent veterinary adviser regarding the accommodation to be provided. The estimated veterinary adviser fee is payable by you and payment must accompany your application. At the initial stage of an application it is difficult to envisage the full cost involved and therefore Erewash Borough Council reserve the right to levy additional fees in the event of work needing to be done over and above that allowed for in the estimated fee. These fees are payable whether or not a licence is granted, and no refund will be made if the application is refused. The initial fee to be sent with the application is detailed on the front of the application form. The veterinary costs, possibly up to £500.00, will be charged to you at a later date.

Before making an application for a licence and committing yourself to expense, it is important for you to consider whether the type of animal you wish to keep is of a species for which an import licence is required. If you have any doubts about the matter, you should contact the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA) before you make an application.

In order to process your application for a licence, it will be necessary for a number of independent bodies to inspect the premises where the animal is to be housed. If a licence is granted Erewash Borough Council will visit these premises from time to time to monitor licence compliance.

1. **Please complete the application form as fully as possible** Where a question requires an answer that will take more space than is available, please complete the answer on a separate sheet.

2. **Address of premises where animal(s) is/are kept**  
If it is your intention to move the animal at any time during the validity of a licence, Erewash Borough Council's approval must be sought.

If you intend to provide more than one enclosure, then the address of all such enclosures should be submitted in accordance with 3 below.

3. **Description and dimensions of accommodation to be used**  
Your application will be considered by various bodies who will need to look at it from different viewpoints. In order to save possible delay, please supply plans and drawings of any proposed enclosure to be used. If an enclosure is to be erected in the open air, detailed plans and drawings may be required at a later date to comply with the Building Regulations and Development Control. In the first instance, however, drawings showing the site of the enclosure including details such as water supply and drainage and physical security arrangements should be supplied.

4. **Details of insurance policy held to cover liability for damage caused by animal(s)**  
If you already have an insurance policy covering this risk, please supply a copy. If, however, no policy is actually in existence, then it will be sufficient to supply details that a recognised insurance company has agreed the risk of a licence is granted (please provide a letter from your insurers).

The Erewash Borough Council reserves the right to refuse a licence if the type or amount of insurance cover appears to be inadequate. It is unlikely that a licence will be granted if insurance cover is for less than £2 million.