

LICENCE CONDITIONS FOR DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS

DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS ACT 1976

These are standard conditions that apply to all dangerous wild animals. Further conditions are details in the attached schedule, and are specific to the species being kept.

- 1 The animal(s) must be kept in accommodation which secures that the animal will not escape, which is suitable as regards construction, size, temperature, lighting, ventilation, drainage and cleanliness, and which is suitable for the number of animals proposed to be kept in the accommodation.
- 2 The animal(s) shall be supplied with adequate and suitable food, drink and bedding material and be visited at suitable intervals.
- 3 Appropriate steps must be in place, at all times, to ensure the protection of any animal concerned in case of fire or other emergency.
- 4 All reasonable precautions must be taken to prevent and control the spread of infectious diseases.
- 5 Accommodation must be sufficient to ensure that the animals can take adequate exercise.
- 6 The animal shall be kept by no person other than that specified in the licence.
- 7 The animal shall be held at such premises as specified in the licence.
- 8 The animal shall not be moved from those premises, or shall only be moved from them, in such circumstances as are specified in the licence.
- 9 The person to whom the licence is granted shall hold a current insurance policy which insures him against liability for any damage which may be caused by the animal.
- 10 The terms of any such policy shall be satisfactory in the opinion of the Authority.
- 11 Animals shall be restricted to the number and species as specified in the licence.
- 12 A copy of the licence must be available at all reasonable times.
- 13 Fire fighting equipment and smoke detectors must be provided.
- 14 Such conditions as specified in the attached schedule.
- 15 The person to whom the licence is granted shall ensure that all reasonable precautions are taken to:
 - protect public safety

- ensure that no nuisance is caused to the public
- 16 Animals must be maintained in a good state of health.
 - 17 It is against the law for anyone to have in their possession a dangerous wild animal that is not licensed to them under the terms of the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976.
 - 18 The licensee must be 18 years of age or over and not disqualified from holding a licence under the Act.
 - 19 The Act does not apply to any dangerous wild animals kept in:
 - a zoo
 - a circus
 - premises licensed as a pet shop
 - a place (which is a designated establishment) within the meaning of the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986.
 - 20 A person is held to be the “keeper” of the animal if they have it in their possession. They remain the “keeper” and therefore are responsible for the animal, even if it escapes or it is being transported etc.