

Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the registration and licensing of dog breeders within your local authority area. Specifically, I would be grateful if you could provide the following details:

- 1. The number of licensed dog breeders currently registered with your local authority.
- 2. The licensing threshold for dog breeders in your area (i.e. the number of litters per year at which a breeder must be licensed).
- 3. The upper limit on the number of litters a licensed breeder is permitted to breed per year, if applicable.
- 4. The number of breeders in your area that are currently registered and permitted to breed at the licensing threshold (e.g., those breeding five litters per year or more).

Response

- 1. The number of licensed dog breeders currently registered with your local authority. **11**
- 2. The licensing threshold for dog breeders in your area (i.e. the number of litters per year at which a breeder must be licensed). Breeders must be licensed if they breed 3 litters or more in any 12 month period
- 3. The upper limit on the number of litters a licensed breeder is permitted to breed per year, if applicable. **Not applicable**
- 4. The number of breeders in your area that are currently registered and permitted to breed at the licensing threshold (e.g., those breeding five litters per year or more). 8 are licensed for 3 litters or more