

SCHEDULE 4 – REHOMING OTHER THAN IN THE COURSE OF OPERATING AN ANIMAL WELFARE ESTABLISHMENT

Supply of animals

1. No animal of any of the following descriptions may be supplied as a pet by or on behalf of the licence holder—
 - (a) unweaned mammals,
 - (b) mammals weaned at an age at which they should not have been weaned,
 - (c) non-mammals that are incapable of feeding themselves,
 - (d) puppies, kittens, ferrets or kits, aged under 8 weeks, and
 - (e) puppies or kittens which were not bred by the licence holder.

Protection from suffering, injury and disease

2.
 - (1) All animals supplied as pets must be in good health
 - (2) Any animal with a condition which is likely to affect its quality of life must not be moved, transferred or supplied as a pet but may be moved to an isolation facility or veterinary care facility if required until the animal has recovered.
 - (3) When arranging for the receipt of animals, the licence holder must make reasonable efforts to ensure that they will be transported in a suitable manner.
 - (4) When an animal is transported in or handed over in a container to the person to whom the licence holder is supplying the animal, the container must be suitable for the species and expected duration of the journey.

Pet care and advice

3.
 - (1) Any equipment and accessories being sold with an animal must be suitable for the animal.
 - (2) The purchaser must be provided with information on the appropriate care of the animal including in relation to—
 - (a) feeding,
 - (b) housing,
 - (c) handling,
 - (d) husbandry,
 - (e) the life expectancy of its species,
 - (f) the provision of suitable accessories, and
 - (g) veterinary care.
 - (3) A person supplied with the animal as a pet must be informed of the country of origin of the animal and the species, and where known, the age, sex and veterinary record of the animal.

Return of animals

4. The licence holder must accept return of any live animal that the licence holder has supplied to a person in the course of the licensable activity, and arrange for the collection of the animal to facilitate the return if requested by the person supplied, if—
 - (a) the person supplied notifies the licence holder of the intention to return the animal within the 10 days following the date the animal was supplied, and
 - (b) the animal is in a fit state to be transported.