

## KENNEL LICENCE INFORMATION SHEET

The Act requires that a person who wishes to keep more than two dogs (or in case of working dogs more than 4 dogs) on any premises must hold a kennel licence issued by the General Manager for the municipality in which the dogs are to be kept.

If there is a residence within 200 metres of the boundary of the premises on which the dogs are to be kept a Notice of Intention to apply for a Kennel Licence must be placed in a daily local newspaper. The advertisement shall be similar to the form attached (Notice of Intent of Apply for Kennel Licence). Proof that an advertisement has been published along with the Application for a Kennel Licence must be lodged along with the appropriate fee at the Kentish Council or a Service Tasmanian shop.

The General Manager cannot consider issuing of the licence until 28 days after the notice is published. During that time the Council's Environmental Health Officer or Animal Control Officer may undertake an inspection of the property. A Kennel Licence may be issued with conditions and is for a set number and breed of dogs.

Licences are required to be renewed annually. The Renewal is not required to be advertised; however a variation to the number or breed of dogs may need to be.

A kennel licence is not transferrable to another property.

The following specifications are recommended where a kennel or yard for the keeping of the dogs is proposed:

- a) The kennel or yard should be at least 9 metres from any dwelling-house;
- b) The kennel or yard should be at least 2 metres from any boundary fence of the premises on which the yard is constructed;
- c) The premises should be enclosed in such a manner so as to contain any dogs kept in the kennel or yard;
- d) The kennel or yard should be constructed of suitable material in such a way as to provide effective methods of cleaning disinfection;
- e) There should be sufficient room to allow dogs reasonable freedom of movement;
- f) There should be a raised suitable sleeping area;
- g) Adequate ventilation and insulation should be provided to maintain a comfortable internal temperature, freedom from condensation, and an adequate supply of fresh air;
- h) A sanitary method of disposal of excreta and waste is to be provided.
- i) Don't forget fresh water should always be available.