



**MINISTRY OF AGRO-INDUSTRY & FOOD SECURITY
DIVISION OF VETERINARY SERVICES**

Dog Breeders Permit

Types of Breeder

Fees payable

Small	1-5 breeding females	Rs 10,000 yearly
Medium	6-10 breeding females	Rs 25,000 yearly
Large	more than 10 breeding females	Rs 100,000 yearly

Kennels and Housing Conditions

1. Solid flooring, proper drainage system (waste water evacuation). Walls and floor should be easily cleaned.
2. Exercise area outdoors – All dogs should get enough daily exercise and be regularly socialized.
3. Kennels should be equipped with adequate lighting, ventilation, shelter from heat and adverse weather conditions.
4. Daily cleaning of kennels and at least once weekly total sanitization. Regular records of disinfection regimes should be kept.
5. Availability and accessibility of fresh water at all times.
6. Provision made for sick animals to be kept separately.
7. All breeders shall have their dogs checked by a Veterinary Surgeon yearly and for bitches during and after each pregnancy. All records should be produced on demand.

Dimension of Kennels

1. Small Dogs (up to 15 kgs)

Two Square Meters (1m x 2m) total surface area for first two dogs. An additional 30% area for each additional dog.

2. Medium Dogs (16 - 40 kgs)

Three Square Meters (1m x 3m) total surface area for first two dogs. An additional 30% area for each additional dog.

3. Large Dogs (above 40 kgs)

Six Square Meters (2m x 3m) total surface area for the first two dogs. An additional 30% area for each additional dog.

General Conditions

- Breeder should have a clearance from the District / Municipal Council.
- Breeder should produce their Business Registration Number.
- All dogs should be microchipped (15 digits) and registered with the Mauritius Society for Animal Welfare (MSAW).
- All dogs should be vaccinated.
- Dogs' health cards should be properly kept and made available to Authorised Officer on request.
- Only adult bitches are allowed to be mated.
- Each bitch should not give birth to more than six litters of puppies.
- Breeders should ensure that bitches give birth to puppies only once in a year.
- The Division of Veterinary Services and the Mauritius Society for Animal Welfare should be informed, in writing, of birth of puppies within a period of 15 days as from the date of birth.
- Breeders should keep proper records of each litter.
- Inbreeding is not allowed.
- Puppies shall not be sold before the age of 8 weeks
- The Division of Veterinary Services and the Mauritius Society for Animal Welfare should be informed in writing on disposal/sales of puppies together with copies of deed of sales within 30 days as from the date of sales.

Dogs of certain breeds, kinds or descriptions not allowed for breeding

American Pit Bull Terrier

American Staffordshire Terrier

Blue Nose Pit Bull

Boerboel

Dogo Argentino

Fila Brasileiro

Japanese Tosa

Red Nose Pit Bull

Staffordshire Terrier

Any other breed, kind or description listed in the First Schedule of the Animal Welfare Act 2013, which is not pure breed.

Note:

The Division of Veterinary Services reserves the right to revoke at any time or not issue a breeder's permit and initiate any prosecution as per the legislations in force in case breeders fail to observe the above conditions or if in breach of the Animal Welfare Act 2013.