

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
ANIMAL CONTROL AGENCY
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APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL KENNEL LICENSE

Every person in the business of buying, selling, breeding or boarding animals shall secure a commercial license.

Date: _____

Name of Kennel: _____ Business Number: _____

Name of Kennel Owner/Operator: _____ Home Number: _____

Address of Kennel: _____

Address of Kennel Operator: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Number of dogs and/or cats to be housed: _____

Anne Arundel County Code – Article 12, Section 4-705
Commercial Kennel License

- a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, in addition to meeting the licensing requirements imposed by 4-701 of this title, the operator of a commercial kennel shall obtain a commercial kennel license.
- b) Veterinary hospitals or clinics, research facilities where bona fide medical, dental, veterinary, pharmaceutical, or biological research is being conducted, and other animal establishments operated by State or local governments or licensed by federal law may operate without a commercial license.
- c) The application for a commercial kennel license shall state the name and address of the commercial kennel, the name and home address of the operator of the commercial kennel, and the maximum number of dogs and cats to be housed in the commercial kennel.

The annual license fee for a commercial kennel is:

For a commercial kennel authorized to house a combined total of nine or fewer dogs or cats is **\$100.00**
Commercial License I _____

For a commercial kennel authorized to house a combined total of more than nine but fewer than fifty dogs or cats is **\$250.00** **Commercial License II** _____

For a commercial kennel authorized to house a combined total of fifty or more dogs and cats is **\$500.00**
Commercial License III _____

The holder of a Commercial Kennel License shall notify the Animal Control Agency in writing of the names and addresses of persons who received dogs from their kennels within two weeks of such sale or disposition

Article 12, Section 4-804 Commercial kennels license.

The operator of a commercial kennel shall provide for each dog or cat:

- (1) an enclosure with four solid walls and a solid roof, with an opening on at least one side;
- (2) an exercise area of sufficient size to allow running, with sufficient fencing and a secure locking gate;
- (3) a cage of sufficient size to allow the occupant to stand up, lie down, and turn around without touching the sides or top, floors made of nonporous material and, unless radiantly heated, equipped with a resting board or other bedding.
- (4) enclosures, cages, and exercise areas are kept clean, dry, and in a sanitary condition, providing adequate ventilation, a healthful temperature, and protection against weather extremes;
- (5) daily food, free of visible contamination, that is palatable and of sufficient quantity and quality to meet the normal nutrient requirements for the type, condition, and size of the animal;
- (6) fresh water that is always available and that is kept in a removable vessel secured to preventing tipping.

**Anne Arundel County Code
Title 6. Rabies Control**

4-601. Vaccinations of dogs and cats required.

a) A person may not own or keep a dog over the age of four months unless the dog has been vaccinated so as to provide the animal with continuous protection against rabies. The effective period of the various vaccines shall be established by the Health Officer or the authorized and trained representative of the Health Officer in accordance with the current "Compendium of Animal Rabies Vaccines" prepared and periodically revised by the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians, Inc.

b) On request of the Animal Control Agency, a person owning or keeping a dog in the County shall promptly exhibit a currently valid rabies vaccination certificate indicating that the dog has been vaccinated by a licensed veterinarian or approved governmental agency.

c) A person who fails to provide satisfactory evidence of a current rabies vaccination shall be given a written citation and an order requiring the vaccination within a seven- day period.

d) The Agency may waive the requirements for vaccination if the dog will not be exposed to rabies, and in written opinion of a veterinarian, a vaccination is not advisable due to the physical condition of the animal. (Code 1967, 6-226A)

4-709 Expiration, renewal, and revocation of certain licenses.

A dog fancier, cat fancier, commercial kennel, or pet shop license shall be valid from the date received until the following June 30 and shall be renewed within 90 days after June 30 upon payment of the annual license fee. Failure to make timely application for the initial license or renewal shall result in a late fee of \$25.00.

The Agency may refuse to issue or renew any license required by this title if the applicant or licensee has failed to comply with the provisions of this title.

The Agency, Health Officer, or the authorized and trained representative of the Health Officer may revoke a license issued under this title on finding that the licensee has failed to comply with this article or any other applicable local, State, or federal law governing the protection and keeping of animals.

4-716 Zoning Requirements.

Unless specifically exempted by law or variance, before a license is issued under this title, the applicant must meet all existing zoning requirements.

4-1001. Civil penalties.

A person who fails to comply with an order requiring 6-101 Vaccination of dogs, 7-102 Dog and Cat licensing, and 4-705 Commercial Kennel License of this Article is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$50.00 for the first offense, \$100.00 for the second offense and \$500.00 for three offenses or more.

Description of kennels, runs, cages, and how animals are maintained:

Signature

Date