

Animal Licence Activity Star Rating System

As part of **The Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018**, every licensed boarding kennel, cattery, dog home boarding, dog daycare, pet shop, dog breeding and riding establishment will be given a star rating ranging from 1 to 5 stars (the licence activity for keeping or training animals for exhibition is not included in the rating system).

The star rating is determined by a risk-based scoring system which considers both the animal welfare standards adopted by the business as well as their level of risk (based on elements such as past compliance).

To calculate the length of the licence and associated star rating the following questions are addressed based on the inspection and on records of past compliance:

- a) Does the business meet the minimum standards (licence conditions)?
- b) Does the business meet the higher standards?
- c) Is the business low or higher risk?

Scoring matrix

The scoring matrix developed by [DEFRA](#) is as follows.

Risk	Minor failings	Minimum standards	Higher standards
Low risk	1-star rating, 1-year licence, at least 1 unannounced visit within 12 months	3-star rating, 2-year licence, at least 1 unannounced visit within 24 months	5-star rating, 3-year licence, at least 1 unannounced visit within 36 months
Higher risk	1-star rating, 1-year licence, at least 1 unannounced visit within 12 months	2-star rating, 1-year licence, at least 1 unannounced visit within 12 months	4-star rating, 2-year licence, at least 1 unannounced visit within 24 months

The welfare standards are those set out in the Regulations and guidance to the Regulations. All businesses should meet the minimum standards to get a licence and therefore receive a 2 or 3 rating. However, minor failings that do not compromise the welfare of animals, e.g., administrative issues, may allow for a licence but with a rating of 1 star.

The guidance to the Regulations is specific to the type of activity and includes a number of higher standards which businesses may aspire to. To receive a higher standard rating as these are not mandatory to obtain a licence. The higher standards are divided into required and optional; a business needs to meet all the required higher standards and a minimum of 50% of the optional higher standards to qualify as meeting the higher standards.

All new and current businesses without three years of previous compliance history with a local authority will be automatically rated high risk.

The Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018 – Star Ratings*

These lists are correct as of 15th May 2024.

This list will be updated monthly.

Providing or arranging for the provision of boarding for cats and dogs

Table 1 – Establishments Providing Home Boarding for Dogs

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Stars rating
LN/202000120	Patterpaws, Fixby	5 Stars	29/09/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000069	Dog Buddies, Meltham	5 Stars	31/07/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000026	Dog Days, Mirfield	5 Stars	30/11/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000081	A Dog's Paradise in Huddersfield, Birkby	5 Stars	19/09/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000046	K9 Ramblers, Dalton	5 Stars	30/04/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000039	Marsden Pet Help, Marsden	5 Stars	31/12/2024	★★★★★
LN/202000028	Pips Premier Pets, Almondbury	5 Stars	30/09/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000095	Slaithwaite Doggy Day Care & Home Boarding, Slaithwaite	5 Stars	30/09/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000045	Take the Lead Pet Services, Kirkburton	5 Stars	31/07/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000041	Toby's Tag Alongs, Meltham	5 Stars	31/03/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000054	Care for Pets, Batley	5 Stars	31/05/2024	★★★★★
LN/202000068	Fieldhead Pet Stays, Cleckheaton	5 Stars	29/06/2024	★★★★★
LN/202000053	Karen's Pet Care Services, Dalton	5 Stars	31/08/2024	★★★★★
LN/202000072	Ruby's Retreat, Liversedge	5 Stars	31/08/2024	★★★★★
LN/202000061	Cosy Canine Lodge, Liversedge	5 Stars	31/10/2024	★★★★★
LN/202100160	Kenny & Friends, Almondbury	5 Stars	07/09/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000078	Alfie's Abode Boarding Services, Mirfield	5 Stars	23/02/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100016	Animal Amigos, Shepley	5 Stars	22/04/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000071	Home from Home Boarding, South Crosland	5 Stars	31/08/2024	★★★★★

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Stars rating
LN/202100032	Muddy Paws Wet Noses, Birchencliffe	5 Stars	14/06/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100163	Tals Walking Pals, Mirfield	5 Stars	21/09/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000077	Khay's Paws, Holmfirth	5 Stars	16/02/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000076	PassionatePetPaws, Dewsbury	5 Stars	12/02/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000075	PAWS, Scissett	5 Stars	11/03/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100053	Bankhouse Day Care & Home Boarding, Dewsbury	5 Stars	08/09/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000030	Paw Prints, Cleckheaton	5 Stars	30/04/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000097	PetStay Franchisee, Ossett	5 Stars	30/05/2024	★★★★★
LN/202100095	Prestige PAWS, Meltham	5 Stars	10/02/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100058	Paws4Thought, Meltham	5 Stars	04/10/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000060	The Dogfather, Dewsbury	5 Stars	13/02/2027	★★★★★
LN/202100110	Moochie Poochie, Golcar	5 Stars	11/04/2027	★★★★★
LN/020230012	Happy Hounds Dogwalking and Pet Services, Meltham	4 Stars	08/05/2025	★★★★
LN/020230008	StrollINStayWithSuzie, Oakes	4 Stars	27/04/2025	★★★★
LN/202100203	Wavy Tails, Lockwood	4 Stars	20/11/2024	★★★★
LN/202100229	Lead The Way, Salendine Nook	4 Stars	06/03/2025	★★★★
LN/202300064	Mutts, Moggies & Mules, Huddersfield	4 Stars	23/08/2025	★★★★
LN/202100135	Mutts, Moggies & Mules, Slaithwaite	4 Stars	23/06/2024	★★★★
LN/202100147	Barking Berties Franchise, Cowlersley	4 Stars	27/07/2024	★★★★
LN/202100236	Bert's Boarders & Walkers, Scissett	4 Stars	09/03/2025	★★★★
LN/202100188	Katie's Groom & Board Ltd, Huddersfield	4 Stars	02/10/2024	★★★★
LN/020230035	Twinkle Toes Dog Walking and Boarding, Fartown	4 Stars	21/05/2025	★★★★
LN/202300091	Bourn View Dog Care, Netherton	4 Stars	11/05/2025	★★★★
LN/202100185	Paws & Purrs, Liversedge	4 Stars	07/09/2024	★★★★
LN/202000070	Dog O Mighty, Scammonden	4 Stars	31/07/2025	★★★★

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Stars rating
LN/020230027	Bonnie's 4 Paws Inn, Mirfield	4 Stars	10/05/2025	★★★★
LN/202300069	The Board Walkers, Shelley	4 Stars	13/09/2025	★★★★
LN/202300131	Thunder Bridge Dogs Ltd, Shelley	4 Stars	19/09/2025	★★★★
LN/202300132	Countryside Canines, Cowlersley	4 Stars	20/09/2024	★★★★
LN/202000029	Kaths Dog Walking & Home Boarding, Linthwaite	3 Stars	30/11/2025	★★★
LN/202000038	Lucky Dogs, Dewsbury	3 Stars	30/11/2025	★★★
LN/202000073	Robs4Paws, Heckmondwike	3 Stars	31/08/2025	★★★
LN/202000049	Woodnook Home Dog Boarding, Honley	3 Stars	31/03/2025	★★★
LN/202000127	Leaps and Bownes, Cleckheaton	3 Stars	12/08/2024	★★★
LN/202000113	Pablo's Pals Dog Walking & Pet Sitting Services, Cleckheaton	3 Stars	20/07/2024	★★★
LN/202100060	Kandi's Klub, Shepley	3 Stars	05/10/2024	★★★
LN/202100098	Posh Paws, Batley	3 Stars	01/03/2025	★★★
LN/202100104	Waggi Tails, Batley	3 Stars	15/03/2025	★★★
LN/202100099	Yappy Days Pet Services, Quarmby	3 Stars	01/03/2025	★★★
LN/202100191	Happy Paws, Mirfield	3 Stars	26/10/2025	★★★
LN/202300107	Pawsome Walkies, Heckmondwike	3 Stars	12/10/2025	★★★
LN/020230003	Chasing Tails, Mirfield	3 Stars	23/04/2026	★★★
LN/020230040	Mirfield Dog Walking, Dewsbury	2 Stars	06/06/2024	★★
LN/202300093	Trail Sniffers, Linthwaite	2 Stars	23/11/2024	★★
LN/202300083	Muddy Paws Go Trekking, Cleckheaton	2 Stars	01/10/2024	★★
LN/202300122	Home Boarder, Meltham	2 Stars	24/03/2025	★★
LN/202300139	Wesley House Pet Services, Cleckheaton	2 Stars	25/04/2025	★★

Providing or arranging for the provision of boarding for dogs

Table 2: Establishments Providing Home Boarding & Day Care for Dogs

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202300130	Happy Hounds HQ Huddersfield, Grange Moor	5 Stars	23/09/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100235	Happy Hounds HQ Scissett, Scissett	4 Stars	19/03/2025	★★★★

Table 3: Establishments Providing Day Care for Dogs

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/020230013	Kenny and Friends LTD, Almondbury	5 Stars	27/04/2026	★★★★★
LN/202300137	Pooch Playground, Scissett	5 Stars	07/09/2025	★★★★★
LN/202100137	Paws & Pals, Crosland Moor	4 Stars	07/06/2024	★★★★
LN/202300114	The Doggo's Daycare & Salon, Batley	4 Stars	16/01/2026	★★★★

Table 4: Establishments Providing Boarding in Kennels for Dogs

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202000079	Home from Holmes Canine Boarders, Cumberworth	5 Stars	21/07/2026	★★★★★
LN/202300125	Glambullz Boarding, Meltham	4 Stars	03/04/2026	★★★★
LN/202000129	Manor House Boarding Kennels, Denby Dale	3 Stars	30/09/2024	★★★

Table 5: Establishments Providing Boarding in Catteries for Cats

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202000023	Dearne House Cattery, Cumberworth	5 Stars	30/12/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000036	The Ings Luxury Cat Hotel, Dewsbury	5 Stars	31/01/2025	★★★★★
LN/202100161	Warren House Cattery, Birchcliffe	5 Stars	30/08/2025	★★★★★
LN/202100145	CATACE, Cleckheaton	4 Stars	05/07/2024	★★★★
LN/202300084	Acer Lodge Cattery, Gomersal	4 Stars	19/10/2025	★★★★

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/020230041	Shaley Farm Cattery, Holmfirth	4 Stars	06/06/2025	★★★★
LN/202300129	Glenbeets Cattery, Dewsbury	4 Stars	04/04/2026	★★★★
LN/202000059	Cats & Co, Holmfirth	3 Stars	30/11/2025	★★★
LN/202000057	Combs Cattery, Dewsbury	3 Stars	30/06/2025	★★★
LN/202000022	The Gables Cattery, Batley	3 Stars	31/12/2024	★★★
LN/202000035	Cozy Paws Cattery, Honley	3 Stars	28/02/2025	★★★
LN/202000058	Andilees Boarding Cattery, Cleckheaton	3 Stars	31/12/2024	★★★
LN/202100054	Tall Poppies Cattery, Flockton	3 Stars	12/08/2024	★★★

Table 6: Combined* Kennel & Cattery Establishments

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202000032	Arrunden Kennels & Cattery, Holmfirth	5 Stars	28/02/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000033	Scammonden Kennels & Cattery, Scammonden	3 Stars	30/11/2025	★★★

Table 7: Combined* Dog Home Boarding & Cattery Establishments

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202000031	Walkies & Purrfect Mews Cat Hotel, Holmfirth	5 Stars	31/03/2025	★★★★★
LN/020230030	Petwatch, Almondbury	3 Stars	31/05/2025	★★★

Breeding dogs

Table 8: Dog Breeding Establishments

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202100046	Talos K9 System Ltd, Dewsbury	5 Stars	07/09/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100067	Elite Breeds, Milnsbridge	5 Stars	31/10/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100042	Lilmo Bullz, Batley	5 Stars	05/07/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000122	Hondonvale Cockers, Slaithwaite	5 Stars	09/09/2026	★★★★★
LN/202300135	Charmila, Dewsbury	5 Stars	20/10/2026	★★★★★

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202300081	Glambullz, Meltham	4 Stars	18/09/2025	★★★★
LN/202300085	Silver Ochre Kennels, Skelmanthorpe	4 Stars	22/10/2025	★★★★
LN/202100134	Lullaby Bulls, Linthwaite	4 Stars	19/06/2024	★★★★
LN/202100075	Dog Breeder, Slaithwaite	3 Stars	24/11/2024	★★★
LN/020230033	BR Mobile Dog Microchipping & Pregnancy, Sheepridge	3 Stars	30/05/2026	★★★
LN/020230039	Dog Breeder, Skelmanthorpe	2 Stars	12/06/2024	★★
LN/020230034	Oakwell Retrievers, Gomersal	2 Stars	06/06/2024	★★

Hiring out horses

Table 9: Riding Establishments

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202000110	Batley Hall Farm Riding Centre, Batley	5 Stars	25/05/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000109	Nether Hall Riding School, Rawthorpe	5 Stars	02/05/2025	★★★★★
LN/202100167	Westwyns, Slaithwaite	5 Stars	28/09/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000108	Low Fold Equestrian, Lepton	5 Stars	27/08/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100159	Cliff Hollins Riding School, East Bierley	3 Stars	02/07/2024	★★★
LN/202100217	Copley Spring Stables, East Bierley	3 Stars	17/01/2026	★★★
LN/202000111	Bradshaw Road Stables, Honley	2 Star	22/11/2024	★★

Selling animals as pets

Table 10: Pet Shops/Selling Establishments

Licence Number	Company	Stars	Expiry date	Star rating
LN/202000090	HD1 Aquatics, Huddersfield	5 Stars	28/02/2025	★★★★★
LN/202000102	Pets at Home, Birstall	5 Stars	31/12/2024	★★★★★
LN/202000094	Pets at Home, Leeds Road, Huddersfield	5 Stars	31/12/2024	★★★★★
LN/202000103	Pets at Home, Waterloo	5 Stars	31/12/2024	★★★★★
LN/202000093	Pets at Home, Dewsbury	5 Stars	31/12/2026	★★★★★
LN/202000106	D & Jo's Ball Pythons Limited, Batley	5 Stars	04/11/2026	★★★★★
LN/202100148	Living Art Ball Pythons, Batley	4 Stars	27/07/2024	★★★★
LN/202000092	Newlyn Pets, Wyke	3 Stars	13/08/2025	★★★
LN/202000100	Palmer and Schofield Pet Supplies, Mirfield	3 Stars	31/12/2025	★★★
LN/202000104	Shelly's Pigeon and Pets Ltd, Huddersfield	3 Stars	31/10/2024	★★★
LN/202300128	Peculiar Pets, Heckmondwike	3 Stars	22/01/2026	★★★