

Restricted Dog Breeding Permit Application Instructions

Any person wishing to breed a dog in the City of Long Beach must first apply for a Restricted Dog Breeding Permit. The applicant must:

- ❑ Completely fill out the application – The application must be signed by all applicants and all owners of the dogs to be bred
- ❑ Provide a copy of a valid certificate of health for the dam
- ❑ Provide a copy of the pedigree for both sire and dam
- ❑ Provide a copy of a valid City of Long Beach Business License at time of payment for permit
- ❑ Provide proof of micro-chipping for both sire and dam
- ❑ Provide written authorization to breed or whelp on the property from all owners of the property
- ❑ Pay the required application fee (non-refundable)

Prior to processing the application, the non-refundable application fee of \$5607.00 must be received by the Bureau. Once we have received the required application fee, the application will be reviewed for proper qualifications and documentation and a background check will be completed. Upon background approval a property inspection will be performed. Notification will be sent that you are approved for a restricted breeding permit or that the requirements have not been met.

If you are approved for a restricted breeding permit, there is an additional permit fee of \$2112.00 that will be due prior to the permit being issued.

Application for Restricted Dog Breeding Permit

The application for a restricted breeding permit shall be filed by all of the owners and/or handlers of both dogs to be bred, including persons who may reside outside of the City, and shall contain such information as is requested by the City, including without limitation the following:

1. A complete description of the nature and extent of the breeding to be conducted and for which application is made, including the breed of dogs proposed to be bred;
2. The address of the location at which breeding will occur and, if different from the breeding address, the address of the location at which the litter shall be whelped;
3. The name and address of the applicant(s); and
4. A statement by the applicant(s) stating that each applicant(s) owns either of the dogs to be bred and that there are no other owners.
5. A statement by the applicant(s) stating that at least one of the litter is intended to be offered for sale.
6. Evidence that the dogs to be bred do not have the same sire or dam.
7. Evidence that the dam to be bred is at least two years old and not older than seven years old.
8. A copy of a valid certificate of health for the dam.
9. Evidence that both dogs to be bred have Electronic Animal Identification Devices implanted.
10. Written authorization to breed and/or whelp from the owner(s) of the properties at which the dogs will be bred and/or whelped, if such owners are not the applicant(s).
11. A statement by the applicant(s) stating that the applicant(s) have reviewed and will comply with all applicable rules and regulations regarding breeding and keeping animals on private property.
12. Such other information as may be required by the director, or designee, consistent with the purposes of this Chapter, this Code, and applicable law.

The Chief of Police and/or director shall conduct a background check of any applicant(s) for a breeding permit. The City shall not issue a breeding permit to any applicant for whom the Chief of Police or director determines the background to be unacceptable. Breeding permits shall not be issued to applicant(s) who are under the age of eighteen, or who have violated this Section 6.16.190, Section 6.16.080, Section 6.16.110, Section 21.51.210 of this Code, or any of Sections 596 through 599 of the California Penal Code, or to owners of dogs which have been declared vicious under Section 6.16.250 of the Long Beach Municipal Code or otherwise have previously bitten any person, or to owners of any breed of dog which is disproportionately responsible for dog bite complaints within the City, or to owners of any breed of dog which is disproportionately euthanized within the City.

Breeding permits shall not be issued for the purposes of breeding any **dog breeds** that are **not recognized by the American Kennel Club (or any other organization determined by the**

director to be a generally recognized leading national breeding organization) and shall not be issued for the purpose of mixing breeds.

Prior to processing the application the director shall receive the required breeding permit application fee, and such application fee shall be non-refundable. After processing the application but prior to issuing a breeding permit, the director shall receive the required breeding permit fee, and such permit fee shall be non-refundable.

The following dogs are exempt from both the application fee and breeding permit fee requirements but are subject to the other requirements of this Section to the extent such requirements do not conflict with state or federal law:

1. Dogs documented as having been appropriately trained and actively used by law enforcement agencies for law enforcement or rescue activities, the offspring of which are to be used for the same purposes.
2. Dogs documented as guide, signal or service dogs pursuant to the California Penal Code or the California Business and Professions Code, the offspring of which are to be used for the same purposes.

The breeding permit shall be valid for one year and shall not be transferable or assignable from one person or entity to another or from one household to another household, and only one breeding permit shall be issued per year per household, regardless of how many dogs or persons may reside in such household.

Once permitted by the City, the breeding permittee shall comply with each of the following operating restrictions:

1. Only one litter per year per dog per household may be whelped.
2. Proper shelter shall be provided for all dogs and litters. "Proper shelter" shall be defined as an enclosure with four walls, a roof and a raised floor which adequately protects from exposure to cold, heat and water, and which gives access to an enclosed yard or other open outdoor space.
3. Clean and reasonably temperate water shall be provided to all dogs at all times.
4. Nutritious food sufficient to properly nourish the dam and her litter shall be provided.
5. Dogs' living quarters and yards shall be properly maintained at all times, including without limitation removal of feces and urine to prevent odors from entering surrounding areas.
6. Dogs shall be kept in a manner which prevents barking from disturbing occupants or users of surrounding areas.
7. Births shall be reported to the director within ten days of their occurrence.
8. No offspring shall be sold or otherwise transferred, whether for compensation or otherwise, until it has reached the age of eight weeks, has been immunized against common diseases and has been issued a certificate of health by a licensed veterinarian.

9. All offspring must have an Electronic Animal Identification Device implanted before the age of eight weeks.

No person, as principal, agent, employee or otherwise, shall sell or transfer, for compensation or otherwise, any dog or cat within the City, without first applying to and receiving a transfer permit to do so from the Department of Health and Human Services, Animal Control Division. **Dog owners who have received a breeding permit under this Section shall not be required to apply for a transfer permit under this Section.** One transfer permit shall be issued per litter, unless the applicant for a transfer permit operates a pet store or is a validly incorporated 501(c)(3) animal rescue organization, in which case the transfer permit shall be issued annually.

The following provisions shall apply to the sale, adoption or other transfer of dogs:

1. Any person who offers or provides any dog for sale or transfer, whether for compensation or otherwise, shall disclose to the transferee in writing information regarding the dog's immunization history and the license and permit requirements of the City applicable to the transferred animal.
2. No person shall sell or otherwise transfer any dog without such dog having an Electronic Animal Identification Device implanted, and such device shall identify the breeding permit number under which the dog was bred or the transfer permit number, as applicable, and a description of the transferred dog including the breed, gender, color and age.
3. No person shall sell or otherwise transfer any dog without reporting the name, address and phone number of the transferee to the director within ten business days of the transfer.
4. Any advertisement to the public regarding the availability of any dog which was bred within the City for sale or transfer, whether for compensation or otherwise, shall prominently display the breeding permit number.
5. Any advertisement to the public regarding the availability of any dog for sale or transfer, which was bred outside the City, whether for compensation or otherwise, shall prominently display the transfer permit number.
6. No person shall give away any dog as a prize or as an inducement to enter into any contest, lottery, drawing, auction, game or competition.
7. No person shall give away any dog as an inducement to enter a place of business, or to enter into a business arrangement.
8. No person shall sell, barter, exchange or offer for adoption, whether for compensation or otherwise, any dog or cat to any minor under the age of eighteen.
9. Proper shelter shall be provided for all dogs to be transferred.
10. Clean and reasonably temperate water shall be provided to all dogs at all times.
11. Nutritious food sufficient to properly nourish the dog shall be provided.
12. Dogs' living quarters and yards shall be properly maintained at all times, including without limitation removal of feces and urine to prevent odors from entering surrounding areas.

13. Dogs shall be kept in a manner which prevents barking from disturbing occupants or users of surrounding areas.

14. A valid business license shall be required for all transfers made for compensation.

For Office Use Only

Application Received:

Received By:

Health Certificate (Dam) Received:		Findings:	
Micro-chipping Certificates Received:			
Sire and Dam Pedigree Received:			
Background Check Completed:			
Property Inspection Completed:			
Business License Received:			
Written Authorization to breed or whelp Received:		Permit Approved:	
		By:	Date:
Permit Number #		Permit Denied:	
		By:	Date:
Re-check:		Permit Suspended:	
		By:	Date:
Additional Information:			

Applicant Information

Primary Applicant

Name _____ Email: _____
Address _____
Phone Number (____)____ - _____ Alt Phone Number (____)____ - _____
Driver's License/ID # _____

Sire Information

Owner Name _____ Email: _____
Address _____
Phone Number (____)____ - _____ Alt Phone Number (____)____ - _____
Driver's License/ID # _____

Owner Name _____ Email: _____
Address _____
Phone Number (____)____ - _____ Alt Phone Number (____)____ - _____
Driver's License/ID # _____

Breed _____ Birth date: _____
Color _____ Microchip # _____

Dam Information

Owner Name _____ Email: _____
Address _____
Phone Number (____)____ - _____ Alt Phone Number (____)____ - _____
Driver's License/ID # _____

Owner Name _____ Email: _____
Address _____
Phone Number (____)____ - _____ Alt Phone Number (____)____ - _____
Driver's License/ID # _____

Breed _____ Birth date: _____
Color _____ Microchip # _____

Address at which breeding will occur: _____

Address at which whelping will occur (if different than breeding address): _____

The following must be included:

- Copy of valid certificate of health for the dam
- Copies of Certificates of Micro-chipping for both sire and dam
- Copies of AKC or other recognized registration papers for both sire and dam
- Copy of valid Long Beach City Business License
- Written authorization to breed and/or whelp from the owner(s) of the properties at which the dogs will be bred and/or whelped, if such owners are not the applicant(s)

Employees of the Animal Control Division shall have the right to inspect, on more than one occasion, the property of any permittee used for breeding, whelping or holding any animals for sale, adoption or transfer during reasonable hours and without advance notice.

Failure of any person to comply with all terms and conditions of the breeding permit or the transfer permit and applicable law shall be grounds for the revocation or suspension of said breeding permit or transfer permit and shall be grounds for denial of future breeding and/or transfer permits.

Persons who violate any provision of Chapter 6.16.190 of the Long Beach Municipal Code may be assessed an administrative penalty under Section 9.65 of the Long Beach Municipal Code, in addition to any criminal penalties that may be assessed under Section 1.32 of the Long Beach Municipal Code.

Possession of a valid breeding or transfer permit under Chapter 6.16.190 of the Long Beach Municipal Code does not entitle the permittee to engage in an activity which is otherwise prohibited by law.

I have reviewed and will comply with all applicable rules and regulations regarding breeding and keeping animals on private property. I have read this document, understand it, and sign voluntarily.

Primary Applicant

Date _____

(Signature)

(Print Name)

Owner of Dam

Date _____

(Signature)

(Print Name)

Owner of Dam #2 (if applicable)

Date _____

(Signature)

(Print Name)

Owner of Sire

Date _____

(Signature)

(Print Name)

Owner of Sire #2 (if applicable)

Date _____

(Signature)

(Print Name)

RECORD OF BREEDING TRANSFER

Breeding Permit Number _____ Date of Transfer/Sale _____

Breeding Owner Information:

Name _____ Email: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number (____)____-____ Alt Phone Number (____)____-____

New Owner Information:

Name _____ Email: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number (____)____-____ Alt Phone Number (____)____-____

Animal Information:

Type _____ Sex _____ Spayed or Neutered? Yes _____ No _____ (if altered, provide proof)

Breed _____ Birth Date: _____

Color _____ Microchip # _____

Immunization History (if given by licensed veterinarian please attach copies):

All dogs aged 4 months or older must have a valid dog license issued by the City of Long Beach. In order to receive a dog license, a valid certificate of rabies inoculation must be submitted along with the required dog licensing fee.

(copies to be given to new owner and to Long Beach Animal Control)