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**L.N. 244 of 2013**

**ANIMAL WELFARE ACT  
(CAP. 439)**

**Protection of Animals offered in Pet Shops  
(Minimum Standards) Regulations, 2013**

IN exercise of the powers conferred by article 15 of the Animal Welfare Act, the Minister for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change, on the advice of the Council for Animal Welfare, has made the following regulations:-

Title, scope and commencement.

**1.** (1) The title of these Regulations is the Protection of Animals offered in Pet Shops (Minimum Standards) Regulations, 2013.

(2) These regulations lay down the minimum standards for the protection of animals offered in pet shops in Malta.

(3) These regulations shall come into force on the 2nd April, 2014.

Interpretation.

**2.** For the purpose of these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

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"the Act" means the Animal Welfare Act;

"animal" means a pet animal or an exotic animal, unless otherwise stated;

"the Director" means the Director responsible for the Veterinary Service and includes, to the extent of the authority given, any officer authorised by him, in writing, to act in that behalf for any of the purposes of Act;

"enclosure" means any confined space within which animals are kept;

"exotic animal" means any animal not indigenous in Malta, including those animals bred in captivity in Malta;

"pet animal" means any animal kept or intended to be kept in a household, for private enjoyment and companionship of the classes as shown in Schedules B to H;

"pet shop" means any premises or holdings where animals are on sale to the public, or premises or holdings where animals are kept with the intention of being offered for sale also through adverts and, or electronic systems;

"trader" means any person, physical or legal, offering animals for sale or intending to trade animals.

3. (1) No trader may stock, keep, sell or offer for sale any animal without a licence to this effect. Prior to the granting of a first licence an inspection may be carried out by the Director. Licensing of pet shops.

(2) A trader shall apply to the Director for a licence to trade pet animals at least two months before the activity takes place.

(3) Licence applications are to be submitted using the form in Schedule A. This application must be endorsed by the nominated veterinary surgeon responsible for the pet shop who is to place his signature and rubber stamp in section 4 of the application set out in Schedule A.

(4) If exotic animals are to be traded, a trader shall apply to the Director for an additional specific licence using the form in Schedule A. Prior to the granting of a first licence an inspection may be carried out by the Director.

(5) (a) The Director or animal welfare officers may conduct an inspection to determine if the conditions of these regulations are being complied with.

(b) If these conditions are met, the Director shall issue a licence for the activity, but otherwise the Director shall stipulate corrective measures as necessary. The Director shall suspend or prohibit the commencement or continuation of the use of the pet shop and thereby retrieve the licence.

(6) The licence or a copy of the licence shall be displayed in a prominent position on the premises.

(7) Licences are renewed annually following an inspection by the Director.

(8) Any alterations to the structure of the pet shop shall be declared and discussed with the Director before these alterations take place. The Director shall then determine whether these alterations are acceptable or not within 4 weeks. If accepted, the pet shop shall be provided with modifications to its existing licence.

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(9) The species of animals authorised to be kept and traded in the pet shop shall be specified in the licence.

(10) Licences for the trading of animals are not transferable.

Licensing of  
personnel.  
S.L. 327.431

**4.** (1) Any person managing a pet shop shall have relevant qualifications of level 3 in accordance with the the Malta Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning Regulations, acceptable to the Director:

Provided that existing pet shop owners have three years from the date of entry into force of these regulations in order to obtain such qualifications.

(2) Licences shall only be issued to persons of good conduct and persons who have never been convicted of cruelty to animals under the Act or any other crime involving public order where the minimum term of imprisonment exceeds six months.

(3) The Director shall not accept any licence application from any person under the age of eighteen and no such licence may be issued or given to such person.

(4) The licence holder shall ensure that all staff in the pet shop have sufficient knowledge and experience of the species of animals in the pet shop to ensure the animals' health and welfare.

Records.

**5.** (1) Records of purchases shall be maintained to determine the source of all animals. All purchases must be entered and the entry shall include:

(a) the name, address, telephone number and identification number of the person or organisation supplying the animal;

(b) details of the type and numbers of animals;

(c) the date of delivery to the pet shop of the animals;

(d) particular markings and means of identification, when applicable.

(2) Records of sales shall be maintained for every sale of cats, dogs, ferrets, *equidae*, poultry and all other animals. The purpose of the sale records is to enable the purchaser to be contacted in the event of an emergency. Sale records shall include:

(a) the name, address telephone number and

identification number of the purchaser;

(b) the animal purchased and its identification mark, when applicable;

(c) the date of sale.

(3) Pet animals offered for sale are to have a permanent means of identification as stipulated in other relevant laws or regulations. A list of animals and the acceptable means of identification may be published by the Director from time to time.

(4) Birth, disease and mortality records shall be maintained for all animals within the pet shop. Spawning and, or hatching of eggs of fish or amphibians, may be recorded as a single event.

(5) A veterinarian shall certify all the mortalities exceeding 10% of the stocked animals.

(6) These records shall be kept for at least three years and made available during inspection or on demand by the Director.

(7) Pest control programmes and related records are to be kept for three years showing substances used and dates of application.

(8) If a transfer of the licence of the pet shop takes place, the records of the animals referred to in sub-regulations (1) to (5) shall be transferred to the Director.

(9) In case of closure of a pet shop, the records of the pet shop shall be transferred to the Director.

(10) The responsibility of any animals remaining in the pet shop being transferred or closed remains with the most recent owner.

**6. (1) (a)** No person shall sell or offer to sell an animal in open markets (*monti*) or on the street. Sale conditions.

(b) By way of derogation from paragraph (a), the birds listed hereunder may be sold in open markets or on the street as long as the birds are kept in the shade at all times, in cages of the same dimensions as listed in Schedule C and as long as the ambient temperature does not exceed 30°C :

(i) All song birds that are captive bred only and carrying a closed ring (chaffinch, greenfinch, gold finch, serin finch, siskin, linnet, hawfinch originating from any continent);

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- (ii) Hybrids of the above;
- (iii) Budgies;
- (iv) Canaries;
- (v) Cockatiels;
- (vi) Lovebirds (*Agapornis spp*) (non-threatened only);
- (vii) Ducklings of domesticated non-protected duck species but not the adult forms;
- (viii) Gooselings of domesticated non-protected geese but not the adult forms;
- (ix) Chicks of domesticated chickens (*Gallus gallus*) and turkeys (*Meleagris gallopavo*) but not the adult forms;
- (x) Zebra finches (*Taeniopygia guttata*);
- (xi) Bengal finches;
- (xii) Goudian finches (*Erythrura gouldiae*);
- (xiii) Java sparrows (*Padda oryzivora*);
- (xiv) Bobwhite quails;
- (xv) Chinese and Japanese quails (*Coturnix chinesis* and *C. japonica*);
- (xvi) Common quails (*Coturnix coturnix*);
- (xvii) Diamond doves (*Geopela cuneata*);
- (xviii) Barbets;
- (xix) Cutthroath finches (*Amadina fuscata*).

(2) No trader shall sell or offer to sell an animal to any person under the age of sixteen without having the written consent of such person's parents or guardians.

(3) All animals shall be allowed a suitable acclimatisation period before being placed for sale with the exception of poultry. Such acclimatisation must be of at least two days for other animals

and twelve hours for fish. During that period animals must be kept isolated to prevent any possible spread of disease.

(4) Animals with significant physiological and psychological problems, which would materially affect their quality of life, shall not be offered for sale. Such animals should receive immediate treatment or be humanely euthanised by a warranted veterinarian.

(5) Animals that are not weaned shall not be sold:

(a) puppies and kittens may not be sold at less than eight weeks old, and rabbits at less than four weeks old;

(b) other than the species mentioned in paragraph (a), non-mammal offspring and mammalian offspring, incapable of feeding themselves, shall not be sold with the exemption of chicks of Psittacines that shall be traded for hand reared parrot pets.

7. (a) Animals shall at all times be kept in accommodation suitable to the species with respect to construction, size, temperature, lighting, ventilation, humidity and cleanliness. All accommodation shall be kept in good repair. Accommodation and equipment.

(b) Fine wire mesh, glass or a plastic safety barrier shall be incorporated into the cage-system and the construction of exotic animal housing shall take into account the aggressiveness of the animal and the possible risk for human safety and health.

(2) No animal shall be placed on display outside the pet shop.

(3) Animal enclosures shall be constructed in a way as to prevent the escape of animals. Suitable equipment for the capture of escaped animals shall be present in the pet shop where applicable.

(4) A sink with a constant supply of hot water shall be provided in addition to any wash hand basin.

(5) Animal enclosures shall be designed in such a way that they may not harm, injure or poison an animal.

8. (1) An animal must be housed and cared for according to its physiological and behavioural needs; in particular, space shall be provided for the specific needs of the animal regarding movements and exercise in accordance with Schedules B to I. Stocking density.

(2) No other animal, other than those specified in the licence, may be stocked or offered for sale without prior written approval

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from the Director.

(3) Whenever possible all animals shall be housed in single animal units, except for litters, which may share an animal enclosure of adequate size. If single housing presents a threat to the health or welfare of an individual animal, the Director may approve group housing on the advice of a veterinarian.

Health.

9. (1) All reasonable precautions shall be taken to prevent the outbreak and spread of diseases. No animal which is suffering from, or could reasonably be suspected of having come into contact with any other animal suffering from, any infectious or contagious disease, or which is infested with parasites, shall be brought into or kept in the pet shop unless effectively isolated.

(2) Animal enclosures shall be cleaned regularly to maintain good hygienic standards. All animal enclosures, corridors, adjacent area and equipment must be thoroughly and regularly disinfected with a relevant method and frequency. Animal enclosures shall allow easy inspection of animals and where animals are housed in cages, the cages shall be placed in a way that the floor of the top cage is easily visible.

(3) Ill or injured animals shall receive appropriate care and treatment without delay and a veterinary surgeon shall be consulted as necessary.

(4) Facilities for isolating ill or injured animals shall be made available.

(5) A first aid kit for use on animals shall be kept and stocked in the pet shop at all times. Advice from a veterinarian is to be sought for the contents of this kit where applicable.

(6) Pet shops shall have a named warranted veterinarian in accordance with regulation 3(3) as their primary source of veterinary advice and treatment and keep a list of available veterinary surgeons on the premises.

(7) Excreta and soiled bedding shall be collected and stored in impervious containers with close-fitting lids away from direct sunlight, insofar as any other means of disposal is not available.

(8) Excreta and soiled bedding shall be removed from the premises at least twice a week. Such material has to be disposed of in a manner in compliance with relative legislation.

(9) All necessary precautions shall be taken to prevent pests in

the pet shop. Substances used for the prevention of pests shall not harm or injure animals kept within the pet shop.

(10) Products and substances offered for sale, such as feeding equipment, accessories or other products and materials or substances presenting a threat to the health and welfare of any animal shall be kept in a safe manner and in any case stored away from animals.

(11) Food and water vessels shall be provided and disinfected after each meal. Any discarded food residue shall be laid aside and disposed of where applicable.

**10.** (1) Pet shops shall provide facilities for the preparation of food and storage of food separated from the animal units. All food, except live food, intended for feeding the animals in the pet shop, shall be stored in impervious, closed and labelled containers. These containers shall be kept in a clean and sound condition and refrigerated when necessary. Food and water.

(2) Animals shall receive adequate amounts of food and water appropriate to the species and individual needs. Clean water shall be available at all times and changed daily where applicable.

(3) Food shall not be kept for excessive periods in enclosures in order to prevent odours and infestation by vermin unless it is in a dry form or in a dispenser where it cannot be contaminated.

**11.** (1) Animals shall be inspected at regular intervals and at least twice a day. Inspections.

(2) A fit and proper person shall always be available to supervise the animals and to deal with emergencies whenever animals are present on the premises:

Provided that when constant twenty-four hour supervision cannot be guaranteed, alternative procedures shall be put in place to the satisfaction of the Director.

**12.** The trader shall ensure that animals are transported to and from the pet shop in a suitable manner according to health, welfare and species characteristics. Transportation.

**13.** Animal species protected by international law or conventions, such as the Bird Directive, the Habitat Directive, the Convention on migratory species or the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora shall not be sold in pet shops, unless special approval from the relevant authority is obtained. Exotic animals.



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Pet care advice.

**14. (1)** Pet shops shall offer detailed and accurate pet care leaflets or other similar written instructions to customers, free of charge.

(2) Purchasers shall be given proper advice on the care of animals and, when necessary, on the maintenance and use of accessories free of charge.

Emergency precautions.

**15. (1)** Suitable emergency precautions and written procedures shall be prepared and be made known to all staff, including arrangements for the evacuation of animals.

(2) Entrances and exits shall be left clear of obstructions at all times.

(3) Suitable fire fighting equipment shall be made available, maintained and regularly serviced by a competent person and sited as directed by specific regulations on this matter.

(4) Emergency numbers for civil protection agencies and veterinarians are to be displayed in a prominent place in a pet shop.

(5) Pet shops shall comply with any other national emergency regulation.

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Schedule A

(Regulation 3)

Application for Licence for a Pet Shop

This application can only be used to apply for a licence to keep animals in a pet shop and to offer these animals for sale.

Application form should be completed in a legible and clear manner.

An original copy of the lay out of the pet shop shall be attached.

The data in this application will be in the public domain.

The application and the required documents are to be sent to:

The Director,  
Agriculture and Fisheries Regulation Division,  
Abattoir Square,  
Albertyown  
Marsa, MRS 1123.

1. Pet Shop details

Name of pet shop: .....

Address: .....

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Phone Number: .....

MEPA Ref No: .....

2. Pet Shop owner's details - Licence holder

Surname: .....

Name: .....

Address: .....

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Phone / Mobile Number: .....

ID Number: .....

Date of Birth: .....

Qualifications / Experience: .....

Staff

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3. (i) Responsible person for day to day care of the animals

Surname: .....  
Name: .....  
Address: .....  
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Phone / Mobile Number: .....  
ID Number: .....  
Date of Birth: .....  
Qualifications / Experience: .....

(ii) Other Staff  
*(to be completed for each member of staff whether employed  
or voluntary)*

Surname: .....  
Name: .....  
Address: .....  
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Phone / Mobile Number: .....  
ID Number: .....  
Date of Birth: .....  
Qualifications / Experience: .....

Employed  Voluntary   
*(tick as necessary)*

Surname: .....  
Name: .....  
Address: .....  
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Phone / Mobile Number: .....  
ID Number: .....  
Date of Birth: .....  
Qualifications / Experience: .....

Employed  Voluntary   
*(tick as necessary)*



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6. Emergency facilities / procedures

Fire equipment available: .....

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Description of emergency procedures .....

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I / we do hereby certify that to the best of my / our knowledge and belief, the above particulars are true.

Dated this ..... day of .....,20.....

(Signed) .....

The completion of an application form will be followed by a visit from the Director or an authorised representative to inspect the premises prior to a licence being granted.

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## Schedule B

(Regulation 8)

## Stocking Density - Small Mammals

Species	Minimum floor area (cm <sup>2</sup> )		Minimum cage height (cm)
	Single	Each additional	
Rabbits	2000	500	50
Dwarf Rabbits	1000	300	30
Guinea pigs	700	175	20
Gerbils	300	75	20
Hamsters	300	75	20
Rats	500	125	20
Mice	200	50	20
Chinchillas	2800	2100	50
Ferrets	3600	2100	90
Squirrels	3600	2100	90
Chipmunks	3160	2100	90
Kittens 8 - 12 weeks	2000	500	50
Puppies 8 - 12 weeks	10000	2500	50

## Schedule C

(Regulation 8)

## Stocking Density - Caged Birds

Species	Length / cm	Floor area (cm <sup>2</sup> )	
		Single	Each additional
African grey	30 - 35	1250	625
Amazon	Up to 35	1000	500
	35 - 40	1250	625
	Over 40	2000	750
Budgerigar	20	650	200
Cockatiel	25 - 30	1000	250
Cockatoo	Up to 35	1250	625
	35 - 40	2000	1000
	Over 45	2750	1325
Lovebird	13 - 17	750	200
Macaw	Up to 40	1250	625
	40 - 60	2250	1000
	Over 60	3750	1200

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Species	Length / cm	Floor area (cm <sup>2</sup> )	
		Single	Each additional
Parakeet (incl. Conure, Kakari, Rosella)	Up to 25	1000	250
	25 - 30	1000	250
	Over 35	1400	450
Parrot (incl. Caique, Pronus, Senegal, Meyer's)	Up to 30	800	275
	30 - 35	1250	625
	Over 35	1500	750
Parrotlet	12 - 14	400	200
Hanging parrot	12 - 14	450	250
Lories and lorikeets	Up to 22.5	800	250
	22.5 - 30	1250	375
	Over 30	2000	500
Canary	12 - 15	650	250
Cardinal	8 - 9	1000	250
Dove and pigeon	Up to 22.5	450	250
	Over 22.5	1250	625
Finches (incl. Manikin silverbill sparrow waxbill)	Up to 12.5	650	100
	12.5 - 17.5	750	150
	Over 17.5	1000	200
Cross beak	16 - 17	1000	200
Quail	Up to 15	450	250
	15 - 20	650	375
	Over 20	1000	500
Weaver	Up to 15	650	150
	Over 15	1000	200
Whydah (male with full tail)	Up to 40	1000	200
	Over 40	2000	275
Barbet	Up to 20	1250	275
	Over 20	1400	450
Bullbil, Fruitsucker		1000	250
Fair bluebird, oriole	20 - 25	1250	250
Jays, Thrush and Magpie	Up to 25	1500	250
	25 - 35	2000	500
	Over 35	4000	1000
Mynah	20 - 25	1500	250
Peking robin, mesia	10 - 12	1000	200
Starling (incl. Small mynahs)	Up to 20	1500	375
	Over 20	1000	250
Tanager, sugar bird	Up to 15	1000	250
	Over 15	1000	250
Trush (incl. Shama)	15 - 30	1000	375
Toucan	80 - 90	3750	1000
Toucanette, aracari	30 - 35	2000	625
Touraco	49 - 51	2000	625
Zosterops	10 - 12	750	100

Species	Length / cm	Floor area (cm <sup>2</sup> )	
		Single	Each additional
Chickens		2500	1500
Bantams		1000	600
Ducks		2500	1500

N.B. All birds should be housed in accommodation which allows the full spreading of wings.

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### Schedule D

#### (Regulation 8)

#### Stocking density for ornamental fish and other aquatic species

1. Water quality testing shall be carried out at least once a week. All test results shall be recorded in a register together with the corrective action taken. Further tests shall be carried out when visual inspection of the tanks indicates the need.

2. The water quality for cold-water fish shall be:

- (a) Dissolved oxygen      min. 6-mg/litre
- (b) Free Ammonia          max. 0,02 mg/litre
- (c) Nitrite                    max. 0.3 mg/litre
- (d) Nitrate                    max. 50mg/litre

3. The water quality for tropical fish shall be:

- (a) Dissolved oxygen      min. 6-mg/litre
- (b) Free Ammonia          max. 0,02 mg/litre
- (c) Nitrite                    max. 0.3 mg/litre
- (d) Nitrate                    max. 50mg/litre

4. The water quality for tropical marine species shall be:

- (a) Dissolved oxygen      min. 5.5-mg/litre
- (b) Free Ammonia          max. 0.01 mg/litre



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- (c) Nitrite max. 0.3 mg/litre  
 (d) Nitrate max. 40mg/litre

5. The pH of the water for tropical marine species shall be min. 8.1.

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Schedule E

(Regulation 8)

Enclosure Specifications for Dogs between the age of 12 weeks and 6 months

(1) Dog enclosures shall be at least 1.25 square metres floor space and the height of the enclosure shall be double the shoulder height of the largest dog in the enclosure, with a minimum enclosure depth of at least 1.10 metres.

(2) Floors shall be constructed in such a way to be easily cleaned while providing sufficient grip for the animal to walk without sustaining injury.

(3) The temperature of sleeping areas shall not fall below 10°C or exceed 30°C. A device to read the temperature at any time shall be provided in each enclosure. When temperatures are likely to drop below or rise above the indicated levels, some means of heating and/or cooling respectively is to be provided.

(4) Appropriate comfortable bedding shall be provided. Bedding shall be kept in a clean, parasite free and dry condition.

(5) Dogs shall be given suitable socialisation and human contact to establish a well-balanced character.

(6) Dogs, which are showing signs of sexual maturity, shall be separated from the opposite sex.

(7) The unobstructed floor space shall be provided as follows:

Number of dogs	Floor space in square metres
1 - 4	1.25
5	1.50
6	1.75
7	2.00
8	2.25
9	2.50
10	2.75

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## Schedule F

## (Regulation 8)

## Enclosure Specifications for Dogs over 6 months of age

- (1) Dog enclosures shall be provided with a sleeping area of at least 1.9 sq. metres and the height of the enclosure shall be at least 2.0 metres.
  - (2) Floors shall be constructed in such a way to be easily cleaned while providing sufficient grip for the animal to walk without sustaining injury.
  - (3) The temperature of sleeping areas shall not fall below 10°C or exceed 30°C. A device to read the temperature at any time shall be provided in each enclosure. When temperatures are likely to drop below or rise above the indicated levels, some means of heating and, or cooling respectively is to be provided.
  - (4) Dog enclosures shall be provided with exercise runs. Dogs shall be allowed to use the exercise run freely, except at night.
  - (5) The unobstructed space allowance for each dog in the exercise run shall be:
    - (a) for dogs with a height at shoulder up to 60cm, 2.46sq metres floor surface and the height of the enclosure shall be at least 2.0 metres; and
    - (b) for dogs with a height of the shoulders over 60cm, 3.34 sq metres floor surface and the height of the enclosure shall be at least 2.0 metres.
  - (6) Exercise runs shall not be used as sleeping area.
  - (7) Outside exercise runs shall be roofed to a minimum of half the floor surface.
  - (8) Appropriate comfortable bedding shall be provided. Bedding shall be kept in a clean, parasite free and dry condition.
  - (9) Floors of sleeping area, exercise run and isolation enclosures shall not be steep and a minimum fall of 1 in 80 to a shallow drainage or effectively covered deep drainage channel is recommended.
  - (10) Partition walls between dog enclosures must be of solid construction to a minimum height of 1.2 metres.
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## Schedule G

## (Regulation 8)

## Enclosure Specifications for Cats between the age of 12 weeks and 6 months

- (1) Cat enclosures shall be at least 0.85 square metres unobstructed floor space and the height shall be at least 1.22 metres with a minimum enclosure depth of 0.70 metres.
- (2) Floors shall be constructed in such a way to be easily cleaned while providing sufficient grip for the animal to walk without sustaining injury.
- (3) Cat enclosures shall be provided with scratching poles.
- (4) Appropriate comfortable bedding shall be provided. Bedding shall be kept clean, parasite free and in dry condition.
- (5) Every cat enclosure shall be provided with a litter tray, which shall be cleaned twice daily.
- (6) The temperature of all enclosures shall not fall below 10°C or exceed 30°C. A device to read the temperature at any time shall be provided in each enclosure. When temperatures are likely to drop below or rise above the indicated levels, some means of heating and/or cooling respectively is to be provided.
- (7) The unobstructed floor space provided shall be:

Number of cats	Unobstructed floor space in square metres
1 - 4	0.85
5	1.00
6	1.15
7	1.30
8	1.45
9	1.60
10	1.75

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## Schedule H

## (Regulation 8)

## Enclosure Specifications for Cats over 6 months of age

(1) Cat enclosures shall be provided with a sleeping area and an adjoining exercise area, which is exclusive to that enclosure. The unobstructed floor space shall be at least:

- (a) 0.85 square metres for one cat;
- (b) 1.5 square metres for two cats;
- (c) 1.85 square metres for up to four cats.

The unobstructed floor space of the exercise area shall provide at least:

- (a) 1.7 square metres for one cat;
- (b) 2.23 square metres for two cats;
- (c) 2.79 square metres for up to four cats.

The height of the exercise area shall be at least 2 metres.

(2) Floors shall be constructed in such a way to be easily cleaned while providing sufficient grip for the animal to walk without sustaining injury.

(3) Cat enclosures shall be provided with scratching poles.

(4) Appropriate comfortable bedding shall be provided. Bedding shall be kept clean, parasite free and in a dry condition.

(5) Every cat enclosure shall be provided with a litter tray, which shall be cleaned twice daily.

(6) The temperature of all enclosures shall not fall below 10°C or exceed 30°C. A device to read the temperature at any time shall be provided in each enclosure. When temperatures are likely to drop below or rise above the indicated levels, some means of heating and/or cooling respectively is to be provided.

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## Schedule I

(Regulation 8)

## Housing requirements for reptiles

Species	Enclosure length	Enclosure Depth	Enclosure Height
Small non-venomous snakes. e.g. Corn snakes, King snakes, Milk snakes	$\geq$ the length of the snake	$\geq \frac{1}{2}$ the length of the snake	$\geq \frac{1}{2}$ the length of the snake
Arboreal boas and pythons (-Emerald tree boa, <i>Corallus caninus</i> -Amazon tree boa, <i>Corallus enhydris</i> -Pacific tree boa, <i>Candoia bibroni</i> , -Haitian and rainbow boas, <i>Epicrates spp.</i> -Madagascan tree boa, ( <i>Sanzinia madagascariensis</i> ) -carpet python, <i>Morelia spilota</i> -Green tree python, <i>Chondropython viridis</i> )	$\geq$ the length of the snake	$\geq \frac{1}{2}$ the length of the snake	$\geq \frac{1}{2}$ the length of the snake
Large constrictors (Burmese or Indian python), python moluris Reticulated python, <i>P. reticulatus</i> -African rock python, <i>P. sebae</i> -Common boa, <i>Boa constrictor</i> -Ananconda, <i>Eunectes spp.</i>	$\geq 1\frac{1}{2}$ the length of the snake	$\geq \frac{1}{2}$ the length of the snake	$\geq \frac{1}{2}$ the length of the snake
Lizards and Geckos	$\geq$ to 4 lengths of the lizard	$\geq$ to 2 lengths of the lizard	$\geq$ to 2 lengths of the lizard

More specific requirements regarding temperature, humidity, feed and additional information may be obtained from the Director.

For housing requirements of reptile species not listed in this Schedule, the advice from the Director shall be sought.

