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APPENDIX 1.



Stay N Play Doggy Day Care
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RE: Clause 28 of the 'Animal Boarding Establishment Act 1963' – (Puppies under six months' of age must not be boarded with other dogs).

Dear Michael Bridge (Head of Licencing),

I write to you with regards to the above and would like to request that the above condition be reviewed and removed from our Animal Boarding Establishment Licence.

After several complaints from awaiting customers and discussing my views with several veterinary professionals it has come to our attention that enough is not being done to include puppies in the socialization period to help prevent them from becoming shy, nervous or even aggressive when put in certain situations when older. Thus indicating that the licence condition is obstructing the social learning and development of puppies from a young age.

Within this letter of request, I will be discussing why we believe that Stay N Play Doggy Day Care should have this condition removed from our license.

Firstly, the most crucial part of a dogs learning and development is learnt within the first 12 ~ 26 weeks of a puppies' life. The reason for this is: that during the first few months of a puppies' life it is vital that they encounter a wide variety of new and different experience's. This will then help to shape and make a big difference to the dog's future character and temperament whilst around other dogs.

In addition, puppies' which have been allowed the time to socialize within a controlled environment will result in becoming a friendlier and approachable adult dog which not only enjoys the company of adult humans but also other dogs of all shapes, sizes, ages, breeds and so on.

Unit 1 Dale Industrial Estate, Phoenix Way, Radcliffe, M26 1AD Tel: 07716928281 Web: www.staynplaydoggydaycare.co.uk Email: staynplaydoggydaycare@hotmail.com FB:@staynplayddc Moreover, it is vital that the puppies are not only introduced to new dogs but also new handlers such as the ones at Stay N Play Doggy Day Care. Stay N Play offers a fun, safe and stimulating environment for dogs of all shapes and sizes etc. We believe that we can give the care and attention needed for new puppies which join our pack and allow them to enjoy day care in a safe and controlled environment.

Like human children, puppies are not born with the social skills that they require. The term 'socialization' is the learning process that a puppy must undergo in order to learn key life skills to ensure that it is happy and confident within it's environment, and can communicate effectively within its social group.

Within Stay N Play we believe that we have ample members of employees to meet the needs of all dogs and to meet the required dog to human ratio. We also have multiple rooms on site which allow us to be able to segregate and slowly re-integrate back in to the pack. We can use these facilities provided for the use of nervous/anxious and to slowly introduce puppies into the main pack. Having the space on site allows us to be able to not only the above but to also segregate any dogs which may be causing a nuisance or becoming overly boisterous.

Within our current pack we have a 4-year-old tea cup Chihuahua, which is of a similar size to a rat and a Labrador aged 5 months waiting to start which is of a similar size to a British Bull Dog. How can we justify or determine why one of these dogs should be allowed with a far greater risk of safety (Chihuahua) yet the other not to be allowed? We believe that the younger yet larger dog is at a far less risk than the smaller yet older dog.

I would like to take this time to thank you for reading through the points made above and look forward to hearing from you. I have attached further information including statements from veterinary, customers and other professional.

Once again thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Faithfully,

Luke Millington

Managing Director Stay N Play Doggy Day Care 07716928281

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Dear Luke,

After discussing your concerns raised regarding the socialisation of puppies under six months within your day care not being allowed due to restrictions on your 'Animal Boarding Licence'. We are writing to show our support for your application to have this removed.

We as veterinary professionals believe that the most crucial part of a dogs learning and development would be between the ages of 12-26 weeks. During this part of a dog's life it is important to introduce and socialize them within a controlled environment.

We as veterinary professionals with many years of experience believe that it is vital for puppies to be introduced to a variety of experiences one of the main ones being other dog's of all different sizes, ages, breeds and much more. The purpose of this is to ensure the dog develops in to a confident, friendly and playful dog.

Failure to follow the above can result in more complex issues to deal with. If a puppy is not socialized nor experienced different environments from a young age this could result in a fearful/anxious adult dog or even an aggressive adult dog.

We believe that within a controlled environment like yours with the facilities to segregate and integrate if needed would be an ideal place for the socialization of puppies ensuring they turn into happy and confident adult dogs.

Yours truly,

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Dear Luke,

After meeting with yourself to discuss your concerns regarding your license and not being able to provide day care for puppies under six months due to the condition imposed by Bury Council. I write this letter to show my support for you to appeal this condition.

As a registered veterinary professional for just over 16 years I firmly believe believe that the most important part of a dogs learning is between 12-26 weeks. It is really important to introduce puppies into new environments and to socialize with dogs of all ages, sizes, breeds and so on.

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Mrs Diane Jones 20 Westminster Avenue Radcliffe Manchester 3WD

Hi Luke

23 October 2016

From our previous conversation that we had with regards to the positive aspects of socialising puppies from six months and under, I was really shocked to hear that your company had restrictions on this matter. All professionals associated with the care of dogs recommend that puppies from birth to 16 weeks should receive proper socialisation, to avoid the many behavioural issues that can arise. These behavioural issues as you know have a sad but regular ending, which results in a lot of young dogs being taken to a dog shelter; as their owners can no longer cope with behavioural problems.

As you already know, puppies that are not socialised may grow up to be fearful; and fearful dogs may bite. Dogs not used to different environments and situations spend their lives being frightened when taken to unfamiliar places, which behaviours such as aggression and barking can become a serious issue depending on the environment. I now realise that I should have not been so naïve when I got my two dogs, as myself and my dogs have experienced behavioural issues. I thought that it would come naturally being a dog owner, but when it is your first time owning a dog; it can be difficult in understanding how your dog thinks. It makes me wonder if I did not receive you're professional help, I may have become one of those people taking my dog to a rescue shelter in two years' time. The numbers of dogs that are going into rescue centres are on the rise too, and the majority of the time it is related to behavioural issues.

I think all puppies and their owners would both benefit from the experience of allowing their puppies to gain crucial socialisation skills, by being allowed to attend Stay n Play Doggy Day care sessions. The service you want to provide for puppies, I believe would contribute to lowering the numbers of dogs being put into rescue shelters; which is a major positive. I am hoping Luke, that the committee members you meet will take serious consideration when looking into your case, as Stay N Play Doggy Day care is providing Greater Manchester dog owner's with outstanding service that is genuinely needed and wanted.

Kind regards

Diane Jones.

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Dear Luke at Stay N Play doggy day-care

I am writing to you to ask the reason why my puppy Toby aged 4 months is not allowed to attend your day care services. I have been in touch with you in regards to this matter where you have informed me he has to be 6 months old, however I feel Toby would really benefit from socialising at your day care.

Toby attends your training session and although he has learnt a lot from this he really needs to be around other dogs learning to be social as he is easily distracted in training by the other dogs as this is the only time he is around them.

I work full time and Toby is often left on his own for hours at home and I find he is being very disruptive at home due to boredom, I would love him to attend your day-care services whilst I'm at work to help curb his boredom and learn him how to play and interact with other dogs.

Hook forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards

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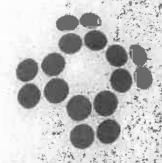
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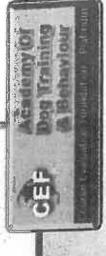
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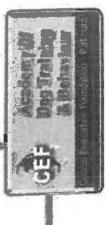


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