

Valid – 2026/27

LICENCE APPLICATION FEES & CHARGES

Please note:

- Applications for temporary licences should be submitted in good time and not less than 60 days before the date a licence is expected to start
- A 20% surcharge is payable for any temporary licence application submitted within 42 days of the date the licence is due to start.

TYPE	SUB TYPE	FEE £ & DURATION
CIVIC		
BOAT HIRE		
	new/renewal	£843 – 1 year
	temporary	£281 – up to 28 days
	temporary – incl. late application surcharge	£340 – up to 28 days
INDOOR SPORTS		
	new/renewal	£1407 – 1 year
	temporary	£981 – up to 28 days
	temporary- incl. late application surcharge	£1177 – up to 28 days
	community or charitable events (reduced fee is not available when the event involves any commercial activity)	£172 – up to 6 weeks
KNIFE DEALERS		
	New	£316 – 1 year
	Renewal	£236 – 1 year
LATE HOURS CATERING		
	New	£885 – 1 year
	Renewal	£633 – 1 year
	Exemption	£159 – up to 2 months max

MARKET OPERATORS - Including car boot sales within Ward 11 (City Centre)		
The annual fee is only available to markets that operate with a frequency of at least once per calendar month	annual indoor markets	£81 - per stall – 1 year new/renewal
	annual outdoor markets	£118 - per stall – 1 year new/renewal
temporary outdoor markets who operate less than once per calendar month	temporary outdoor markets - subject to a max fee of £5,000	£118 – fee per stall for up to 28 days
	temporary outdoor markets - subject to a max fee of £5,000 incl. late application surcharge	£143 – fee per stall for up to 28 days
temporary indoor markets who operate less than once per calendar month	temporary indoor markets - subject to a max fee of £1,000	£81 – fee per stall for up to 28 days
	temporary indoor markets - subject to a max fee of £1,000 incl. late application surcharge	£95 – fee per stall for up to 28 days
<i>Note an indoor market is considered to be wholly or substantially contained within a building or other permanent structure. This does not apply to the exterior grounds of a building, any area temporary fenced off or restricted area or any temporary structure i.e. marquee</i>		
MARKET OPERATORS - Including car boot sales out with the City Centre (Ward 11)		
temporary markets are those who operate less than once per calendar month	temporary indoor or outdoor market	£7 – fee per stall for up to 28 days
	temporary indoor or outdoor market - incl. late application surcharge	£8 – fee per stall for up to 28 days
The annual fee is only available to markets that operate with a frequency of at least once per calendar month		£20 – fee per stall new / renewal for 1 year
COMMUNITY MARKETS OR REGISTERED CHARITIES - See Note 1		
provided there is no commercial element, i.e. where 100% of the profits is given over to the charity or community group		
	City wide - 20 stalls maximum (thereafter normal fees will apply)	£172 – per week or part of a week (<i>up to a max 7 days per application</i>)
	City wide - 20 stalls maximum (thereafter normal fees will apply) - incl. late application surcharge	£204 – per week or part of a week (<i>up to a max 7 days per application</i>)
METAL DEALERS – Includes Itinerant Metal Dealers		
	new / renewal	£904 – 1 year
	Renewal	£2373 – 3 years

PUBLIC CHARITABLE COLLECTION PERMIT (see note 1) – NO FEE

A maximum of 6 days street and/or 6 days house to house collections in any calendar year, with only one Saturday permitted for a street collection and/or house to house collection

PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT

Capacity 1 – 200	£1503 – 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 1 – 200 – incl. late application surcharge	£1800 – temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 1 – 200	£1217 – 1 year renewal
Capacity 201 – 1000	£2250 year new or temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 201 – 1000 – incl. late application surcharge	£2699 – temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 201 – 1000	£1503 – 1 year renewal
Capacity 1001 – 5000	£4511 – 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 1001 – 5000 – incl. late application surcharge	£5413 – temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 1001 – 5000	£3003 – 1 year renewal
Capacity 5,001 - 10,000	£9023 - 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 5,001 - 10,000 – incl. late application surcharge	£10,807 – temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 5,001 - 10,000	£6005 – 1 year renewal
Capacity 10001 - 15,000	£14,654 – 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 10001 - 15,000 – incl. late application surcharge	£17,574 – temporary up to 28 days
Capacity 10001 - 15,000	£10,987 – 1 year renewal
Capacity > 15000	£18,952 – 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
Capacity > 15000 – incl. late application Surcharge	£22,749 – temporary up to 28 days
Capacity > 15000	£14,212 – 1 year renewal
Sun Tan Centre's – number of sunbeds on premises	
1 – 5 beds	£259 -1 year new or renewal
6 – 10 beds	£362 -1 year new or renewal
11+ beds	£620 -1 year new or renewal

PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT - Community/Charitable/Religious or Political Grup Events

Free to enter events

capacity up to 500 - see note 4	No Fee
capacity 501 – 2500	£213 – temporary up to 28 days

	capacity 2501 – 5000	£424 – temporary up to 28 days
	capacity greater than 5000	temporary up to 28 days - 25% discount of normal fee
	capacity 501 - 2500	£566 – 1 year
	capacity 2501 - 5000	£1129 – 1 year
	capacity greater than 5000	25% discount of normal fee - 1 year
Pay to enter events		
	capacity of up to 250- see note 5	No Fee
	capacity 251 - 2500	£213 – temporary up to 28 days
	capacity 2501 - 5000	£422 – temporary up to 28 days
	capacity greater than 5000	temporary up to 28 days - 25% discount of normal fee
	capacity 251 - 2500	£566 – 1 year
	capacity 2501 - 5000	£1129 – 1 year
	capacity greater than 5000	25% discount of normal fee - 1 year
PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT - Amusement Devices linked to a public entertainment event or a stand alone structure – see note 2		
	Amusement devices 1	£299 – 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
	Amusement devices 1 – incl. late application surcharge	£356 – temporary up to 28 days
	Amusement devices 2 - 5	£1370 – 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
	Amusement devices 2 - 5 – incl. late application surcharge	£1643 – temporary up to 28 days
	Amusement devices 6 - 20	£3374 – 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
	Amusement devices 6 – 20 – incl. late application surcharge	£4050 – temporary up to 28 days
	Amusement devices > 20	£6685 – 1 year new or temporary up to 28 days
	Amusement devices > 20 – incl. late application surcharge	£8020 – temporary up to 28 days
PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT – GALA DAYS OR COMMUNITY EVENTS – see note 6		
	Amusement device capacity up to 20 people	£52
	Amusement device capacity 21 - 60 people	£129
	Amusement device capacity 61 - 80 people	£259
<i>The fees above apply to Gala days and Community Events only. Fees are based on the capacity of the amusement device/s only and are payable <u>in addition</u> to any fee due for a public entertainment licence application. Please see note 6 to see what criteria must to be met in order to be eligible to apply</i>		

PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT – Variation to an existing licence – see note 3

Change to capacity > 15,000	£18,983
Change to capacity > 15,000 – incl. late application surcharge	£22,778
Change to capacity > 10,001 to 15000	£14,673
Change to capacity > 10,001 to 15000 – incl. late application surcharge	£17,606
Change to capacity 5,001 - 10,000	£9023
Change to capacity 5,001 - 10,000 – incl. late application surcharge	£10,828
Change to capacity 1,001 - 5,000	£4512
Change to capacity 1,001 - 5,000 – incl. late application surcharge	£5414
Change to capacity 201 - 1,000	£2271
Change to capacity 201 - 1,000 – incl. late application surcharge	£2727
Change to capacity 1 – 200	£1503
Change to capacity 1 – 200 – incl. late application surcharge	£1802
Variation other than a capacity increase	£81
Live animal supplement *	£316 – per event
*any application that involves a vet inspection will be charged the full cost of that inspection <u>in addition</u> to the licence application fee	
Hypnotism supplement	£316 –per event

SECOND-HAND DEALER

New	£316 – 1 year
Renewal	£236 – 1 year
Renewal	£572 – 3 years
exemption – disposal of stock in trade	£144 – per application
Temporary	£159 – up to 28 days
temporary – incl. late application surcharge	£190 – up to 28 days
antique fairs dealers	£92 – 1 year
stamp & book fairs dealers	£92 – 1 year
record/transaction books	£12 – per book

SEX SHOP

new/renewal	£2219 – 1 year
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SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUE

new/renewal	£1812 – 1 year
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SHORT TERM LETS		
Home Letting	New (1 year)	£120 - per occupant
	Renewal (3 year)	£360 – per occupant
Home Sharing & Home Letting	New (1 year)	£120 - per occupant
	Renewal (3 year)	£360 – per occupant
Home Sharing	New (1 year)	£120
	Renewal (3 year)	£120
	Temporary licence or Temporary Exemption	£120
SECONDARY LETTING		
Maximum occupancy	1 year (new or renewal)	3 years (renewal)
1-3	£653	£1053
4-5	£1089	£1489
6-10	£2481	£2881
11-15	£3872	£4272
16-20	£5264	£5664
21 and over	£5869	£6869
TEMPORARY LICENCE	MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY	
Home Letting	1-5	£250
Home Letting & Home Sharing	6-10	£350
Secondary Letting	11 and over	£600
TEMPORARY EXEMPTION	MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY	
Home Letting	1-5	£250
Home Letting & Home Sharing	6-10	£350
Secondary Letting	11 and over	£600
PROPERTY WITH CURRENT HMO LICENCE		
	New/Renewal	£120
SHORT TERM LETS – other application types		
	Transfer of licence	£120
	Provisional licence	20% of the full licence fee based on the maximum occupancy of the premises
	Confirmation of a Provisional licence	80% of full licence fee based on the maximum occupancy of the premises
	Change of manager	£137

Variation of licence - other than change of manager, capacity increase or change of letting type* <i>*Note a capacity increase or change to the type of let will require a new application</i>	£74
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SKIN PIERCING/TATTOOING

Where activity carried out from premises		
	Principal Operator with employees - New	£395 – 1 year
	Renewal	£395 – 1 year
	Renewal	£790 – 3 years
	Additional fee per employee of a Principal Operator (Environmental Health check)	£118
	Self-employed Operator – New	£395 – 1 year
	Renewal	£395 – 1 year
	Renewal	£790 – 3 years
	Self-employed Operator working solely on premises where a principal licence is held by someone else	£118 – new or renewal

One Off Events

	Principal Operator/ Organiser	£378 – per application
	Attending an exhibition or Arts event – where event licence is already in place	£118 – per application up to 7 days max

STREET TRADERS – a valid food hygiene certificate must be submitted with an application to sell food

	Food	£447 – 1 year
	Non food	£304 – 1 year
	Food – temporary	£316 – per application - up to 7 days max
	Food - temporary – incl. late application surcharge	£378 – per application - up to 7 days max
	Non-food – temporary	£236 – per application - up to 7 days max
	Non-food - temporary – incl. late application surcharge	£273 – per application - up to 7 days max
	Food - change of vehicle	£236 – per application
	Food Hygiene Inspection for vehicles	£236 – per vehicle when not part of a licence application
	Food - change of vehicle – incl. late application surcharge	£283 – per application
	Employees – per applicant	£81– for the duration of employer’s licence
	Employees – per applicant – incl. late application surcharge	£93 – for the duration of employer’s licence

Charitable Organisations

Provided there is no commercial element, i.e. where 100% of the profits is given over to the charity or community group. Qualifying criteria must be submitted with an application and after expiry of licence

	See note 1	£107 – 6 months max
WINDOW CLEANERS		
	New/ Renewal	£159 – 1 year
	Renewal	£395 – 3 years
OTHER LICENCE TYPES		
ANIMAL BOARDING		
	Commercial Kennels*	£472 – 1 year
	Home Boarding or Dog Day Care (1–10 animals)	£219 – 1 year
	Home Boarding or Dog Day Care (>10 animals) *	£472 – 1 year
*any application that involves a vet inspection will be charged the full cost of that inspection <u>in addition to</u> the licence application fee		
ANIMAL WELFARE		
	Animal Welfare Establishment*	£497 – 1 year (new or renewal)
	Animal Rehoming Activities* (<i>other than in the course of operating an animal welfare establishment</i>) - 1-10 animals	£197 – 1 year (new or renewal)
	Animal Rehoming Activities* (<i>other than in the course of operating an animal welfare establishment</i>) - >10 animals	£425 – 1 year (new or renewal)
	Breeding of Animals* - dogs, cats, and rabbits	£425 – 1 year (new or renewal)
	Sale of Animals as Pets* - Pet shops etc.	£497 – 1 year (new or renewal)
	Variation of licence – <i>other than capacity increase</i>	£122
*any application that involves a vet inspection will be charged the full cost of that inspection <u>in addition to</u> the licence application fee		
CARAVAN SITE		
	Relevant permanent sites	£685 – per site, 1 year (new or renewal)
CINEMAS		
	multi-screen	£600 – 1 year
	single screen	£300 – 1 year
	temp	£200 – 1 month
	transfer	£120
	up to 4 screens	£600 – 1 year
	variation	No fee
	Change of manager	£118

DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS	
*any application that involves a vet inspection will be charged the full cost of that inspection <u>in addition to</u> the licence application fee	£472 – 1 year new or renewal
FIREWORK SALES	
All year sale	£759 – 1 year
FIREWORK DISPENSATION	
You need a dispensation from the Council to operate a firework display between the hours of 23.00 and 07.00. Dispensations are not needed for a display between 23.00 and 01.00 at New Year, Chinese New Year and Diwali or between 23.00 and 24.00 on November 5th.	
	Free – per event
HYPNOTISM	
permission	£316 – per event
PERFORMING ANIMALS*	
*any application that involves a vet inspection will be charged the full cost of that inspection <u>in addition to</u> the licence application fee	£841 – 1 year
RIDING ESTABLISHMENTS*	
*any application that involves a vet inspection will be charged the full cost of that inspection <u>in addition to</u> the licence application fee	£902 – 1 year new or renewal
VENISON DEALER	
	£243 – 3 years
ZOO - *any application that involves a vet inspection will be charged the full cost of that inspection <u>in addition</u> to the licence application fee	
	£1417 – 6 years new or renewal

MISCELLANEOUS FEES	
CERTIFIED COPY LICENCE	£74 – per copy
DUPLICATE ID BADGE	£74 – per badge
CHANGE OF MANAGER	£149 – per application
VARIATION OF ANY CIVIC LICENCE – other than change of manager or a capacity increase for a Public Entertainment	£81 – per application

NOTES:

Note 1: Charitable Organisations

When applying for a temporary licence as a charitable, religious, youth, sporting, community, political or similar organisations, qualifying material must be submitted at the time of application and again after the event

Qualifying material to be submitted with an application for a licence includes, but is not restricted to the following;

- the organisations charity number (if a registered charity),
- a copy of the organisation's constitution/ or a list of the organisations aims and objectives if no constitution exists
- a copy of the organisations last annual audited accounts or a copy of the recent statement of accounts

Following your event, you are expected to submit details of any monies raised and expenses incurred as part of the licensable activity, to evidence any income was spent fully to cover the organisation's charitable or community goals. Where this evidence is not provided within three months of the event (or licence expiry), the discounted fee will not be available for similar future events held by the organisation.

Note 2: Public Entertainment - Amusement Devices

Amusement Devices – this includes carousels, bouncy castles, bungee jump, or bungee running equipment, stalls, tents, booths or structures. They will all have either been installed or erected and therefore require safety checking ahead of members of the public having access to them. They are operated in connection with the amusement or entertainment of the public

Note 3: Public Entertainment Variation - Capacity Increase

The fee due for an application to increase the capacity of an existing public entertainment licence will comprise of the difference between (a) the fee due for a licence with the new increased capacity and (b) the fee already paid for a licence with the original occupant capacity as per the following;

<u>example</u>	£
(a) fee due for a licence with a capacity of 350	2176
(b) less the fee paid for a licence with a capacity of 200	1454
total fee payable for application to increase capacity	<hr/> £722

Note 4: Public Entertainment – Free to enter events

no public entertainment licence is required for the following 'free to enter' events

- Events held by a charitable, religious, youth, sporting, community, political or similar organisation (see note 1) providing the capacity **does not exceed 500 people**
- premises used for exhibitions of artwork
- premises in which live music is being provided incidentally to the main purpose or use of the premises where that main purpose or use is not as a place of public entertainment.

Note 5: Public Entertainment – Pay to enter events with a maximum capacity of 250 people

no public entertainment licence is required for premises used for functions or events by;

- any charity, religious, community or political group or any similar non-commercial organisation where the public pay to enter or use any facilities for their entertainment provided the capacity **does not exceed 250 people**

Note 6: Public Entertainment Licence with Amusements

To be eligible to apply the following criteria must be met;

- A non-commercial operation is a charitable, religious, youth, sporting, community, political or similar organisation.
- Organisers of the Community Event/Gala Day should be volunteers and part of a committee – you may be asked to provide evidence of this when submitting your application.
- An application for a Public Entertainment Licence with Amusements must be submitted after the application for a Community Event/Gala Day has been received by the licensing service.
- To be eligible for the discounted rate, only the owner/operator of the amusement equipment, i.e. the owner of the bouncy castle, can make an application for Public Entertainment Licence with Amusements.
- The insurance for the amusement equipment must be in the name of the owner/operator.
- The amusement device capacity should be total capacity of all pieces of equipment i.e. 2 bouncy castles with combined capacity of 20 would pay £52