

Kennel Licensing

Kennels are permitted within Leduc County.

A **kennel** is defined as a facility which is engaged in the business or recreation of breeding, boarding or selling dogs.

To keep a kennel in Leduc County, residents are required to obtain a kennel licence.

Leduc County established bylaw 22-05 to provide for the regulation, control and confinement of animals (dogs) within Leduc County. The bylaw is available at the county offices by request.



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Obtaining a kennel licence

Application

Kennels need two approvals from Leduc County:

- **development permit**
- **kennel licence**

Leduc County has developed a single application form to enable residents to apply for both the development permit and kennel licence at the same time. Forms are available at the county offices or www.leduc-county.com.

The application requires the following:

- legal land description of applicant's property
- landowner authorization and details
- proposed kennel business operation plan
- a site plan showing:
 - location and dimensions of all existing and proposed buildings
 - location and size of exercise area
 - description of height and size of exercise area
 - distance of kennel and exercise area from property line and from dwellings on adjacent properties
 - location and type of screening (trees, etc.)
- a letter providing information on the following:
 - number, breed and weight of dogs
 - outline of time dogs will be allowed outdoors
 - schedule for cleaning of kennel
 - business operation plan
 - development permit application fee
 - kennel licence application fee

Review process

A **development officer** will:

- review your application to ensure the kennel conforms to the land use bylaw
- notify neighbouring property owners of your proposal for review and comment

The **animal control officer** will review your application to ensure the following kennel regulations are met:

1. An exercise area needs to be provided for each dog as follows:
 - breeds weighing 16 kg (35 lbs) or less need at least 2.2 m² (24 ft²) per dog
 - breeds weighing more than 16 kg (35 lbs) need at least 4.4 m² (48 ft²) per dog
2. no building or exercise area shall be allowed within 90 m (295 ft.) of any dwelling located on adjacent parcels, or within 30 m (98 ft.) of any property line
3. kennel buildings and exterior exercise areas shall be sited behind the principal building
4. no kennel dogs shall be allowed outdoors from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. daily
5. exterior exercise areas (runs) shall be enclosed with an acceptable fence
6. kennel facilities shall be cleaned regularly
7. a new development permit and kennel licence is required each time a change to kennel operations is made
8. a kennel shall at no time cause a nuisance or unduly interfere with the general enjoyment of adjacent property owners

Decision process

The applicant will receive a written notice regarding their application from the development officer. Applications will be processed in a timely manner.

Appeal process

The **decision on a development permit**, or conditions thereof, may be appealed to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

A kennel refusal may be appealed to Leduc County Council. Additionally, Council can exempt and/or modify bylaw requirements.

Failure to comply with kennel regulations set out in bylaw 22-05 or to obtain a kennel licence may result in the cancellation of your kennel licence and/or a fine.

Did you know?

A new kennel licence must be obtained every time a change to the kennel operation is made.

For more information:

- on obtaining a **development permit**, contact the Planning and Development department at **780-979-2113**
- on obtaining a **kennel licence**, contact the animal control officer at **780-975-4435**