**Feeding Regimes**

To comply with the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities involving Animals) Regulations 2018, we have policies and procedures in place to ensure all dogs are fed a suitable diet, properly hydrated and their feeding and drinking is monitored. All care is taken to ensure food, water and feeding and drinking vessels are clean and free from contamination

**1. Ensuring suitable diet**

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| **Action**  | **Procedure** |
| Agreeing feeding regime with owners | The booking form and Owner’s Consent Form will prescribe feeding regimes for each dog. |
| Monitoring of food and water intake | A separate food and water monitoring intake form will be completed for each dog during its stay. |
| Availabilityof water | Clean water will be provided daily and renewed when necessary throughout the day. A bowl of fresh water for each dog will be provided, including inside and outdoors. |
| Procedure for consulting vet if dietary concerns arise | The owner (or if unavailable, the owner’s emergency contact) will be contacted. A consent form will be signed by the dog owner for the Service Provider to contact the registered Vet or prescribed Vet for advice and/or treatment. |
| Following veterinary advice | Details of the Vet adviceand/ortreatment will be recorded and suppliedto the owner. |

**2. Feeding hygiene**

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| **Action** | **Procedure** |
| Feeding and drinking receptacles | These are non-porous, non-slip and stainless steel. |
| Feeding and drinking receptacles -cleaning | Cleaned daily and disinfected at least once a week and when dog using them changes. |
| Feeding –dry food | No dry food is left out for more than 24 hours. |
| Feeding –wet food | Uneaten wet food is removed before next feeding time. |
| Storage temperature / refrigeration | All dry and wet food and treats stored accordingtomanufacturer’sguidelines. Refrigeratoravailable if required. |
| Storage –protection from vermin | All food stored inside premises incupboards or refrigerator out of reach of dogs. |

**3. Water**

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| **Action**  | **Procedure** |
| Water availability | At least one water bowl per dog. |
| Waterprovision | Fresh water is provided daily and refilled to ensure it is always available. |

**4. Food preparation-For food prepared on the premises**

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| **Action** | **Procedure** |
| Food preparation  | Clean, dry surfacesand utensilsused. |
| Staff hygiene | Hot and cold water,soap and hygienic hand drying facilities are in place and there is suitable drainage. |