



Pet Animal Business & Pet Store Licensing Guide

The Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) is devoted to the total support of agriculture in Kansas. While we must fulfill our statutory obligations, the department is dedicated to providing support and assistance to make Kansas farms, ranches and agribusinesses successful and help them grow if that is their desire. We also encourage more farms, ranches and other agriculture businesses to expand in or relocate to Kansas. This checklist will help guide you through various resources and requirements for opening and operating a typical Kansas pet animal business or pet store. In addition to license requirements by KDA, other Kansas agencies, as well as local or federal government agencies, may have regulatory requirements to follow. Contact your local planning authority to ensure you follow all local business development laws, rules, regulations and guidelines. This guide is designed to assist you as you work to build and operate a successful pet animal business or pet store in Kansas.

✓	Department	Description	Renewal
	Office of the Secretary of State www.kssos.org	Complete the appropriate business entity filings and forms required by the Kansas Secretary of State. Call (785) 296-4564 for more information.	Prior to starting
	Department of Revenue www.ksrevenue.org	Visit the Department of Revenue website to find important business tax information . Call (785) 368-8222 for more information.	Prior to starting
	Department of Agriculture — Division of Animal Health www.agriculture.ks.gov	Review the Small Animal Forms under Forms and Applications . There are a wide variety of forms that might be necessary, depending on what services are offered at a Kansas pet animal business. Apply online by going to this website . For more information, visit the Division of Animal Health webpage or call (785) 564-6605.	Prior to opening, Annual renewal October 1
	Department of Agriculture — Dairy and Feed Safety www.agriculture.ks.gov	Kansas requires that all manufacturers, importers, jobbers, firms, associations, corporations or persons that sell, offer or expose for sale or distribution of commercial feed in Kansas must have a commercial license for each manufacturing facility located in the state. Commercial feed includes feed for livestock, poultry, pets (including pet treats), specialty pets and customer formula feed regardless of package container size or amount. Review the applicable program documents here . Visit the Association of American Feed Control Officials website to learn more about starting a pet food business. For more information, visit the Dairy and Feed Safety Program webpage or call (785) 564-6685.	Prior to selling feed, Annual renewal July 1
	Department of Agriculture — Pesticide and Fertilizer www.agriculture.ks.gov	Any retail business, including pet stores, or person who sells a pesticide to another person for application must complete the Pesticide Dealer Registration and Application . For more information, review the Pesticide and Fertilizer Program webpage or call (785) 564-6688.	Prior to making sales, Annual renewal July 1
	Department of Agriculture — Weights and Measures www.agriculture.ks.gov	No license is needed from Weights and Measures. Any business with a weighing or measuring device (e.g. scales, fertilizer meters, oil meters, measuring tapes, electric car chargers, taxi meters, etc.) must hire a licensed service company to inspect and test devices once annually, and any time additional maintenance, repairs, adjustments and calibrations are made throughout the year if the devices are used to determine the cost of any transaction. Examples include scales at grocery stores, yogurt shops, restaurants, hardware stores, nurseries, seed dealers, etc. Examples of meters include meters used at a car service center to add oil to your engine, fertilizer meters at agronomy centers, water meters in grocery stores for sale of bottled water, etc. For more information, visit the Weights and Measures Program webpage or call (785) 564-6681.	Annual service



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	Kansas Department of Health and Environment — Bureau of Air www.kdheks.gov	Businesses that will utilize an incinerator for the disposal of animals may require a permit from the KDHE Bureau of Air . There is an expedited application form for an animal incinerator. For more information, review the KDHE Bureau of Air website or call (785) 296-6024.	Prior to starting construction
	Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism (KDWPT) www.ksoutdoors.com	Aquaculture and aquaponics operations should be aware of the prohibited species list . Aquaculture facilities planning on selling bait fish must apply to become a certified bait dealer and comply with bait fish import regulations. For more information, contact KDWPT at (620) 342-0658.	Prior to obtaining fish
	United States Department of Agriculture — Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) www.aphis.usda.gov	Under the Animal Welfare Act (AWA), many businesses that buy or sell warm-blooded animals, exhibit them to the public, transport them commercially or use them in research experiments must be licensed or registered by the USDA through APHIS' Animal Care Program . For more information, visit the AWA Licensing and Registration webpage or call (970) 494-7478.	Prior to opening, yearly licensing fee

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This guide is for informational purposes only. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of requirements for operating a Kansas agribusiness entity. Please contact the appropriate agencies or organizations for specific requirements applicable to your business.



Helpful Business Development Resources

The following listed resources are provided as a service to Kansas businesses. These resources will assist business owners in obtaining useful tools for starting a Kansas business, marketing agricultural products and developing a skilled workforce, among others.

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<p>Agribusiness Development, Domestic & International</p> <p>www.agriculture.ks.gov</p>	<p>The agribusiness development team works to grow the Kansas agriculture industry and economy by connecting people, working through regulatory requirements, as well as navigating support and incentive options for Kansas agribusinesses. The team handles both domestic and international business-related activities. For domestic questions, contact Russell Plaschka, Agribusiness Development and Workforce Program Manager, at Russell.Plaschka@ks.gov or (785) 564-7466. If your business has questions on importing or exporting, contact Suzanne Ryan-Numrich, International Trade Director, at Suzanne.Numrich@ks.gov or (785) 564-6704.</p>
<p>From the Land of Kansas Program</p> <p>www.fromthelandofkansas.com</p>	<p>The <i>From the Land of Kansas</i>TM trademark program's goal is to help businesses that grow, produce, process or manufacture products in Kansas. In addition, the program works with and supports restaurants using Kansas products and retailers selling Kansas products and ingredients. The trademark program helps members promote their Kansas products and provides members with a variety of business development tips and opportunities, including marketing assistance. In addition, the state trademark provides a consistent way to identify Kansas agriculture-based products.</p> <p>Register your business for membership with <i>From the Land of Kansas</i>. For more information, contact Janelle Dobbins, <i>From the Land of Kansas</i> Marketing Manager, at Janelle.Dobbins@ks.gov or call (785) 564-6759.</p>
<p>Agricultural Workforce Development</p> <p>www.agriculture.ks.gov</p>	<p>KDA's Workforce Development can connect you with secondary and post-secondary resources to find skilled employees and/or assist in developing a training program to fit your needs. For more information, contact Russell Plaschka, Agribusiness Development and Workforce Program Manager, at Russell.Plaschka@ks.gov or (785) 564-7466.</p>

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<p>KANSASWORKS</p> <p>www.kansasworks.com</p>	<p>KANSASWORKS is a free, web-based resource connecting employers with skilled employees and training providers. Call (877) 509-6757 for more information on how to utilize the KANSASWORKS services for filling your employment needs.</p>
<p>Rural Opportunity Zones</p> <p>www.kansascommerce.gov</p>	<p>The Rural Opportunity Zone program is a state program authorizing financial incentives to new full-time residents in Kansas. The two types of assistance include Kansas income tax waivers for up to five years and/or student loan repayments up to \$15,000. For more information, please contact the Kansas Department of Commerce at (785) 296-3481.</p>

Other Resources

<p>Network Kansas</p> <p>www.networkkansas.com</p>	<p>Network Kansas works with new and existing businesses to provide a central portal that connects entrepreneurs and small business owners with expertise, education and economic resources. The KSESHIP mobile application, available on iOS, is designed to provide simplified access to resources through connections, classes and capital resources. Call (877) 521-8600 for more details.</p>
<p>Kansas Small Business Development Center (KSBDK)</p> <p>www.kansassbdc.net</p>	<p>The Kansas Small Business Development Center is a network of service centers located throughout Kansas offering business consulting to small businesses. Call (800) 452-6727 for more information.</p>

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Other Resources Continued

<p>Kansas Business Center</p> <p>https://www.kansas.gov/businesscenter/</p>	<p>The Kansas Business Center is a resource for information, filings and personal assistance to start or maintain a Kansas business. Call (877) 521-8600 for more details.</p>
<p>K-State Research and Extension</p> <p>www.ksre.ksu.edu</p>	<p>K-State Research and Extension is a statewide network of educators sharing unbiased, research-based information and expertise on issues important to Kansas. It has established local, state, regional, national and international partnerships. It is dedicated to a safe, sustainable, competitive food and fiber system and to strong, healthy communities, families and youth through integrated research, analysis and education. For more information, please call (785) 532-5820.</p>
<p>K-State Research and Extension, Kansas Value Added Foods Lab and K-State Food Science Institute, Meat Science Facility</p>	<p>The Kansas Value Added Foods Lab offers food-related businesses, processors and entrepreneurs technical assistance and product development expertise. For the full list of services and prices, refer to the Fees and Information webpage. For more information, call (785) 532-1668 or email kvafll@ksu.edu.</p> <p>The Meat Science Facility provides meat processors and entrepreneurs an opportunity to use a state-of-the-art meat science research and teaching complex. Laboratories include the Meat Lab, the Sensory Lab, the Color Lab, the Meat Chemistry Lab and the Post-Processing Pasteurization Lab. For more information, call (785) 532-1279.</p>
<p>USDA Rural Development</p> <p>www.rd.usda.gov</p>	<p>USDA's Rural Development program offers loans, grants and loan guarantees to support services such as housing, economic development, health care, first responder services and equipment, water, electric and communications infrastructure.</p>
<p>USDA New Farmers</p> <p>newfarmers.usda.gov</p>	<p>USDA's New Farmers program assists farmers in finding resources customized to their specific type of farm. Subcategories are focused on young and beginning farmers, women in agriculture, youth and veterans.</p>

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