



Nottinghamshire
County Council
Community Services

Trading Standards *Information*

Do you own a Vietnamese Pot Bellied Pig?

Vietnamese pot bellied pigs, like any other pigs, are susceptible to many diseases. These include swine fever, swine vesicular disease, African swine fever and foot and mouth disease. All of these diseases are highly contagious and can have devastating effects on the commercial pig industry if there is an outbreak. To try and prevent this, the feeding and movement of pigs is controlled by legislation. These laws consider Vietnamese pot bellied pigs to be the same as any other pig.

Waste Food

Parts III and IV of The Animal By-Products Order 1999 prohibits the feeding of waste food to pigs unless the premises are licensed to process it. This is because waste food can be a cause of disease.

Waste food means any food of animal origin including meat, eggs and anything which has been in contact with them. **Table scraps are waste food!**
(Processed animal feeds made from animal protein are exempt).

Please do not break the law and risk the health of your pig by feeding it waste food.

Movement licence -Pigs (Records, Identification and Movement) Order 1995

Moving a Vietnamese pot bellied pig requires a pig licence. This includes taking them for a walk. The licences are a way of trying to prevent the spread of disease. Please contact your local Trading Standards Animal Health Officer for further advice.

Please do not break the law by moving your pig without a licence.

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Cleansing and disinfection

If you move your pig in a vehicle, the vehicle must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected after every journey, not later than 24 hours after the end of that journey. The disinfectant must be of a type approved by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

For this reason ordinary saloon cars are not suitable for transporting pot-bellied pigs. Remember these measures are for the welfare of your animal and the protection of the national pig herds.

All our information leaflets are available in a range of formats, including tape, large print or Braille. They can also be translated into any main language spoken in Nottinghamshire. If this would be useful to you please contact us on 0115 9773389.