

Schedule 2: Approval Scheme Standards

Category 1: Food			
Qualifying Criteria	Regular Daily feed	Treats	Notes
Minimum 19% fibre content	√		Percentage refers to digestible crude fibre.
Extruded or cold pressed pellet/nugget	√		To avoid selective feeding.
Only suitable ingredients included	√	√	E.g. Does not contain dairy or egg. (May contain traces of would be OK)
Appropriate labelling	√	√	E.g. Importance of need for hay and water stated on packaging.

Category 2: Accommodation			
Qualifying Criteria	Shelter	Exercise area	Notes
Entire Enclosure area size 3m x 2mx 1m high. 305cm x 183 cm x 91.5 cm		√	Allows rabbits to run and jump. Space described is the ground/floor space. Platforms and raised levels do not count towards the entire enclosure area. This area should include a shelter/sleeping area, or allow for customers to add their own shelter/sleeping area.
Entire enclosure area must allow free access 24/7 to shelter/sleeping area.	√	√	Rabbits need to exercise or shelter at will.
Secure wire: Minimum gauge 16g	√	√	Must be predator proof. 16g gauge believed to be fox-proof. The lower the gauge the thicker the wire. Must be attached securely to the frame. Galvanised metal must only be used if it galvanised before welding and not after. 13mm x 13mm apertures to prevent mustelid attacks.
Wood used			The wood used should be free from chemicals and kiln died. If treated or glue wood is used , it should only be used where rabbits will not be able to chew it, ie a flat surface that they can get purchase on, or outside where they

			do not have access.
Secure bolts	√	√	Must be a predator-proof bolt, not a swivel fitting or a latch.
Appropriate customer advice included	√	√	Importance of 24/7 access between shelter and exercise area, protection from elements. Include information about taking other precautions i.e. remember foxes can still dig in so you need to take all necessary precautions.

Category 3: Enrichment Products			
Qualifying Criteria	Notes		
Free from toxic or harmful materials.	E.g. no staple or solvent based epoxy resins.		
Appropriate labelling/customer advice included	E.g. for plastic or cardboard tunnels or other accessories, product must be discarded if rabbits are consuming rather than shredding the material.		
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