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Scrap Metal Dealers Licensing Fee Structure 2026/2027

From 1st April 2025 Scrap Metal Dealers Fees will be set as follows:

Application Type	New Application (£)	Renewal Fee (£)	Copy of Licence (£)
Site Licence Application	£519	£407	£14
Collectors Application	£314	£259	£14
Variation to Site Application	£275	-	£14
Variation to Collectors Application	£168	-	£14
Replacement Vehicle Plate	£23	-	-
Change of Details	£57	-	-

The fee is such sum as, in the authority's opinion, is sufficient to meet the direct and indirect costs which they may incur as a result of the application.

There are two types of scrap metal dealer's licence:

1. **Site Licence** – this allows the licensee to carry on a business as a scrap metal dealer at identified sites and transport scrap metal to and from those sites from any local authority area.
2. **Collectors Licence** – this allow the licensee to operate as a collector in the area of the issuing local authority. It does not allow the collector to operate in any other local authority area, so a separate licence has to be obtained from each council the collector wishes to operate in. This licence does not allow the licensee to operate a site.

NB: It should be noted that a dealer can only hold one type of licence in any one local authority area. They have to decide whether they are going to have a site or a mobile licence in any one area. They cannot hold both a site and mobile collector's licence from the same council.