



## MARIN HUMANE COMMERCIAL ANIMAL ESTABLISHMENT REGULATIONS

### GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. When applying for a permit, the applicant shall furnish Marin County Animal Services with a list of the kinds of animals to be handled, displayed or sold, along with an estimated maximum number.
2. Animals must be supplied with sufficient good and wholesome foods as often as the feeding and energy habits of each species requires. Water must be provided at all times.
3. All animal quarters shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition. Adequate ventilation and drainage shall be maintained.
4. Proper shelter and protection from the weather shall be provided at all times. Animals must not be overcrowded nor exposed to excessive heat or cold. Quarters shall be draft free.
5. All facilities and exhibits must have someone in attendance 24 hours a day or provide a public notice at the facility indicating the hours no one is in attendance and an emergency telephone number.
6. Permittee shall furnish to Marin County Animal Services the name, address and telephone number of a responsible person who has access to permittee's place of business and can be reached in an emergency at any time outside of business hours.
7. Permittee shall use every reasonable precaution to insure that animals are not teased, mistreated, annoyed, or harassed or harassed or made to suffer by any person or means.
8. Permittee shall not maintain nor permit any condition to exist that is, or could be, injurious to the animals.
9. Animals which are worked, kept for sale or displayed shall be healthy and in good condition.
10. Any tack, equipment, device, substance, material, or housing that has been condemned by Marin County Animal Services shall not be used. No animal which has been suspended from labor by Marin County Animal Services shall be worked or used until released by Marin County Animal Services.

11. Animals must be maintained in quarters or enclosures constructed as to prevent their escape. Permittee assumes full responsibility for recapturing any animals that escape the premises. Permittee must file a lost animal report with Marin County Animal Services within 12 hours of any animal escaping.
12. Permittee shall take all reasonable precautions to protect the public from the animals and the animals from the public with attention given to species-specific public health risks.
13. Working or performing animals shall be given proper rest periods. Confined or restrained animals shall be given exercise proper for the individual animal.
14. Animal bedding shall be sufficient in size, quantity, of good quality to allow for proper disinfecting.
15. Sick or diseased animals shall be isolated from healthy animals at all times, and so segregated that the illness or disease shall not be transmitted to another animal or the public.
16. Any changes in address, owner, or management shall be reported in writing to Marin County Animal Services at least five (5) days prior to such change.
17. Permittee shall realize that complaints regarding conduct of the establishment shall be one of the considerations in granting and revoking permits.
18. Permittee shall not tranquilize an animal without authorization from the animal's owner and the supervision of a licensed veterinarian.
19. Fire prevention must be provided: overhead sprinkler system, direct alarm to fire department, or readily available fire extinguisher program.
20. All boarding facilities must allow consumer access for the purpose of inspection prior to boarding animals.
21. The Permit shall be publicly displayed.
22. Permittee shall establish a disaster/evacuation plan and inform all employees of the plan in order to protect the safety of animals and the public in the event of a disaster.