PROCUREMENT OF ANIMALS

Dogs, cats and other animals must be procured legally and according to the AWA regulations. [2.132]

An exhibitor must **not** obtain live dogs, cats or other animals by use of: [2.132(b)]

- false pretenses
- misrepresentation
- deception

An exhibitor must **not** knowingly obtain **dogs**, **cats**, **or other** animals from any person who is required to be licensed but does not hold a license which is: [2.132(d)]

- current
- valid, and
- unsuspended

An exhibitor must **not** knowingly obtain **dogs or cats** from a person who is not licensed (other than a pound or shelter) without obtaining a certification that: [2.132(d)]

- the dogs/cats were born and raised on that person's premises, and
- if the dogs/cats are for research purposes, the person has sold fewer than 25 dogs and/or cats that year, or
- if the dogs/cats are for use as pets, the person does not maintain more that three breeding female dogs and/or cats

Pound or Shelter

Any exhibitor who operates a private or contract animal pound or shelter must comply with the following: [2.132(c)]

- the animal pound/shelter must be located on premises that are physically separated from the licensed/registered facility
- the animal housing facility of the pound/shelter must not be adjacent to the licensed/registered facility
- accurate and complete records must be separately maintained by the licensee/registrant and by the pound/shelter

4.6.1 ANIMAL CARE

- records must be in accordance with Sections 2.75 and 2.76 of the AWA regulations, unless the dogs/cats are lost or stray
- records for lost or stray dogs/cats must contain:
 - an accurate description of the animal
 - how, where, from whom and when the dog/cat was obtained
 - how long the dog/cat was held by the pound/shelter before being transferred to the dealer
 - \triangleright date the dog/cat was transferred to the dealer

4.6.2 ANIMAL CARE