

CONFISCATION PROCEDURES	Any animal found by an APHIS official to be suffering as a result of failure to comply with the AWA regulations and standards may be confiscated and destroyed. [2.129 and Policy #8]
Criteria	<p>Before confiscating any animal, the APHIS official must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) make a reasonable effort to notify the dealer of the condition of the animal [2.129(a)]2) request that the condition be corrected by: [2.129(a)]<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ adequate care being given, or▶ euthanasia of the animal3) if the dealer cannot be located or notified: [2.129(b)]<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ contact local police or other law officers to accompany him/her to the premises▶ provide adequate temporary care for the animal <p>If the dealer refuses to comply with this request or the condition cannot be corrected by temporary care, the APHIS official may confiscate the animal following Policy #8 - <i>Guidelines for the Confiscation and Destruction of Animals</i>.</p> <p>Confiscated animals may be: [2.129(c)]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• placed, by sale or donation, with other USDA licensed dealers or registered research facilities that:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ comply with the AWA regulations and standards, and▶ can provide proper care, or• euthanized <p>The dealer from whom the animals were confiscated is responsible for all costs incurred in the placement or euthanasia of the animals. [2.129(c)]</p>