

<b>VETERINARY CARE RECORDS</b>	An exhibitor must maintain records relating to the veterinary care of his/her animals.
<b>Required Records</b>	An exhibitor must maintain the following veterinary care records for all regulated animals, <b>when applicable</b> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• written Program of Veterinary Care for part-time or consulting attending veterinarian [2.40(a)(1)]</li><li>• attending veterinarian approved exceptions/exemptions to the regulations/standards</li><li>• acclimation statements for transportation</li></ul>
<b>Species Specific</b>	<b>Dogs &amp; Cats</b> <p>In addition to the required records listed above, the following veterinary care records are required for dogs and cats, when applicable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• exercise plan for dogs [3.8]</li><li>• outdoor housing approval [3.4(a)]</li><li>• health certificate for transport [2.78(a)]</li></ul> <b>Nonhuman Primates</b> <p>In addition to the required records listed above, the following veterinary care records are required for nonhuman primates, when applicable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• environmental enhancement plan [3.81]</li><li>• outdoor housing approval [3.78(a)]</li><li>• health certificates for transport [2.78(a)]</li></ul> <b>Marine Mammals</b> <p>In addition to the required records listed above, the following veterinary care records are required for marine mammals, when applicable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• water quality records [3.106]</li><li>• individual marine mammal health records [3.110(d)]</li><li>• necropsy records [3.110(g)]</li><li>• health certificates for transport [3.112(a)]</li></ul>

**Recommended  
Records**

An exhibitor should maintain the following records as a part of good animal husbandry practices:

- health records
- surgery records
- necropsy records
- large felids non-commercial diet approval by attending veterinarian [Policy #25]
- elephant TB test records
- TB treatment records for elephants
- proof that all attendants, handlers, and/or trainees are being TB tested. NOTE: You do not have to review the TB test results.

**NOTE: These records are not specifically required by the AWA regulations and standards, except for marine mammals.**

**Therefore, a lack of any of these records or inadequacy of these records may not be cited as a stand-alone violation, except for marine mammals.**

The citation of inadequate veterinary care for a sick animal may include a reference to the lack or inadequacy of veterinary care records, if appropriate.

Additional non-required records which may be helpful in assessing veterinary care include, but are not limited to:

- animal logs
- standards operating procedures, if available
- room maintenance logs
- cage wash validation sheets