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# Animal Welfare Resources

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This page is a resource hub for licensees, registrants, and others in our regulated community. Here, you'll find information to help you achieve compliance and advance your knowledge in animal care and welfare.

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# Animal Welfare Act and Regulations

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[Animal Welfare Act and Regulations \(also known as the "Blue Book"\)](#) (3.67 MB) [Ley de Bienestar Animal y Regulaciones para el Bienestar Animal \(también conocido como el "Libro Azul"\)](#) (5.26 MB)

## Regulatory Compliance

These documents offer easy-to-understand information clarifying the [Animal Welfare Act \(AWA\) regulations](#), [Horse Protection Act \(HPA\) regulations](#), inspection processes, and other requirements.

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## Regulatory Forms

Below are forms for current AWA licensees and registrants. We recommend downloading and saving a copy of each locally before filling out the online version.

Updated	Document	Form Number
2020-11	Animal Care: Record of Acquisition of Dogs and Cats ( <b><i>mandatory</i></b> for licensees with dogs/cats)	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7005</a> (167.6 KB)
2021-05	Animal Care: Record of Disposition of Dogs and Cats ( <b><i>mandatory</i></b> for licensees with dogs/cats)	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7006</a> (166.53 KB)
2018-04	Animal Care: Program of Veterinary Care	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7002</a> (177.81 KB)
2022-03	Animal Care: Program of Veterinary Care for Dogs	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7002A</a> (231.18 KB)

Updated	Document	Form Number
2021-05	Animal Care: Continuation Sheet for Record of Disposition of Dogs and Cats	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7006A</a> (158.04 KB)
2020-01	Animal Care: Itinerary of Exhibition With Overnight Travel	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7010</a> (1.14 MB)
2020-01	Animal Care: Continuation Sheet for Itinerary of Exhibition With Overnight Travel	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7010A</a> (1.14 MB)
2020-08	Animal Care: Exercise Plan for Dogs	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7013</a> (132.79 KB)
2020-11	Animal Care: Record of Animals On-Hand (Other Than Dogs and Cats)	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7019</a> (130.88 KB)
2020-11	Animal Care: Record of Acquisition, Disposition or Transport of Animals (Other Than Dogs and Cats)	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7020</a> (153.23 KB)
2020-11	Animal Care: Continuation Sheet for Record of Acquisition, Disposition or Transport of Animals (Other Than Dogs and Cats)	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7020A</a> (195.29 KB)
2020-11	Animal Care: Environment Enhancement Program for Nonhuman Primates	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7050</a> (258.72 KB)
2024-08	Animal Care: Environment Enhancement Program for Birds	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7052</a> (358.37 KB)
2021-05	Animal Care: Contingency Planning Program	<a href="#">APHIS Form 7093</a> (268.77 KB)

## Looking for another form?

Visit the [APHIS Forms Library](#) and search "Animal Care." Except where noted above, all Animal Care forms are optional to use; however, the information itself may still be required by the AWA.

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## Helpful Tips and References

## [Animal Care Aids](#)

[This resource series covers a wide range of care topics. Each offers suggestions to help you meet—or exceed—the AWA standards.](#)



## [Species Factsheets](#)

[These documents offer basic facts about specific animals that can be helpful in meeting their needs in captive care.](#)





#### [Other Animal Care Documents](#)

[These documents contain additional reference information that may be useful to our regulated community.](#)



## Species Factsheets

Updated	Species/Document	Order	Group
2025-04	<a href="#">Gibbon (<i>Hylobates</i> spp.)</a>	Primate	Ape
2024-12	<a href="#">Ring-Tailed Lemur (<i>Lemur catta</i>)</a>	Primate	Prosimian

## Other Animal Care Documents

Updated	Document	Topic
2025-07	<a href="#">Customer Aid for Live Dog Import Permit Applications</a>	Dogs
2025-07	<a href="#">Bird Welfare Acceptance Checklist</a>	Birds
2024-10	<a href="#">Comparable Standards Evaluation for Foreign Facilities Importing Marine Mammals From the United States</a> (140.46 KB)	Facilities
2022-08	<a href="#">Zoo and Aquarium Serology Study</a> (512.28 KB)	Zoos and Aquariums

Updated	Document	Topic
2022-05	<a href="#">Guidance for Zoos and Captive Wildlife Facilities: Protecting Birds From Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza</a> (552.5 KB)	Birds

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