

MARICOPA COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CODE

CHAPTER XI

ANIMALS

SECTION 2

**KENNELS AND PET SHOPS
VETERINARY CLINICS AND HOSPITALS**

REGULATION 1. Definitions

- a. **“ANIMAL” MEANS ANY WARM BLOODED MAMMAL, REPTILE, AMPHIBIAN, OR BIRD WHICH IS CAPABLE OF BEING A CARRIER OF ZONOTIC DISEASES. THIS DEFINITION DOES NOT INCLUDE FISH AND INSECTS.**
- B. ~~a-~~ "Kennel" means an enclosed, controlled area, inaccessible to other animals, in which a person keeps, harbors or maintains five or more dogs under controlled conditions.
- C. ~~b-~~ "Pet shop" means a commercial establishment at which any animal ~~or bird~~ is kept for sale, bathed, groomed, or treated for vermin.
- D. ~~e-~~ "Veterinary clinic" means any establishment operated by a licensed veterinarian to provide dental, medical, or surgical treatment, and care, including grooming, for animals ~~or birds~~ on an outpatient basis.
- E. ~~f-~~ "Veterinary hospital" means any establishment operated by a licensed veterinarian providing clinical facilities and housing animals ~~or birds~~ for dental, medical, or surgical treatment. A veterinary hospital may have adjacent to or in conjunction with it or as an integral part of it, pens, stalls, cages or kennels for quarantine, observation or boarding.
- F. **“ZONOTIC DISEASE” A DISEASE COMMUNICABLE FROM ANIMALS TO HUMANS UNDER NATURAL CONDITIONS.**

REGULATION 2. NO CHANGE

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REGULATION 4. Walls and Ceilings

Walls and ceilings of areas in which animals ~~or birds~~ are bathed or groomed, and in toilet rooms shall be finished in a light color and shall have smooth, easily cleanable surfaces.

REGULATION 5. Floors

a. Interior floors shall be of impervious construction where they are subject to flooding, spillage, or other conditions of hard use, such as in bathing, grooming, toilet rooms and all areas in which ~~birds and~~ animals are kept ~~and/or displayed~~.

b. Carpeting, where permitted, shall be of closely woven construction, easily cleanable and maintained clean and in good repair. Carpeting is prohibited in bathing, grooming, toilet rooms and all areas in which animals ~~and birds~~ are kept ~~and/or displayed~~. In areas where birds are on perches, floors shall be of impervious construction. No carpeting shall be allowed within 18 inches of the outer end of the perch.

REGULATION 6. Light and Ventilation

The premises where animals ~~and birds~~ are kept shall be ventilated to the external air by forced draft ventilation, screened doors or windows, and adequately lighted. At least 20 foot candles of light shall be provided in all bathing, grooming and toilet areas. At least 10 foot candles shall be provided in all other areas.

REGULATION 7. NO CHANGE

REGULATION 8. SinkS and Drainage

A properly plumbed, sewer connected sink having an adequate supply of hot and cold water readily accessible to the portions of the premises in which the animals or birds are kept, shall be provided. **A SEPARATE MOP/UTILITY SINK SHALL BE REQUIRED FOR MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING FUNCTIONS.**

REGULATION 9. Animal Housing

a. Pet shop cages in which ~~birds and~~ animals are kept shall be constructed of durable material which may be readily cleaned and disinfected with approved solutions, with live steam, or by other approved means. Cages shall be designed and constructed so that all their parts are easily cleanable. In pet shops, each dog and cat over four months of age shall be kept in an individual cage, and at no time shall there be any commingling of animals which have different owners.

b. Sick ~~birds and~~ animals shall be isolated in rooms or cages separate from healthy ~~birds and~~ animals.

c. NO CHANGE

REGULATION 10. Maintenance

The premises, implements, cages and appurtenances shall be kept clean, sanitary, free of animal ~~and bird~~ parasites, or other health hazards.

REGULATION 11. Limitation

- a. No portion of a pet shop, kennel or veterinary hospital in which animals ~~or birds~~ are kept, ~~caged or boarded~~ shall be used for human habitation.
- b. Food for human consumption shall not be prepared or served in the same room in which animals ~~or birds~~ are kept, ~~caged or boarded~~.

REGULATION 12. Method of Disposal

All putrescible material, garbage, excreta, refuse, and dead ~~birds or~~ animals shall be stored in durable fly-tight containers and disposed of in accordance with the provisions of this Code governing the storage and disposal of refuse and other objectionable wastes. All such material shall be removed from the property at least twice weekly in an approved manner.

REGULATION 13. Records

- a. Pet shops shall keep records in which an entry shall be made immediately of every animal ~~turtle, or bird received,~~ purchased, sold, boarded or kept on the premises, showing origin, for whom the animal ~~turtle or bird~~ was boarded and kept, including the age, sex and breed, where applicable. The required records shall be legibly written in English and such records shall be available for inspection by the Environmental Health Officer. All such required records shall be kept for at least 2 years.
- b. Veterinary clinics and hospitals shall keep a record book or record card for each animal ~~or bird~~ admitted, with an accurate description of the animal ~~or bird~~, treatment (dental, medical or surgical) including diagnosis if possible, vaccinations (including rabies), and dates of admission and discharge. Incidence of disease known or suspected to be communicable to man shall be reported to the Environmental Health Officer. Records shall be made available for inspection by the Environmental Health Officer in accordance with the law.