FARM ANIMALS USED FOR NONAGRICULTURAL PURPOSES

Farm animals are regulated when used for nonagricultural purposes and biomedical or nonagricultural research. [Policy #29]

Licensed dealers selling farm animals used for nonagricultural purposes are subject to the standards in 9 CFR, Part 3, Subpart F.

However, because the husbandry needs of farm animals may be different from other animals, Animal Care has adopted two guides to aid farm animal dealers in complying with the standards.

The information in these guides is to be used only to supplement or interpret the standards.

The two guides are:

- the "Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Agricultural Research and Teaching"
 - contains principles that apply to all farm animals
 - contains species specific recommendations
 - published by the Federation of Animal Science Societies
 - commonly known as the "Ag Guide"
- the "Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals"
 - contains general practices that may be applied to the care and use of farm animals when housed in typical laboratory settings
 - published by the Institute for Laboratory Animal Research
 - commonly known as the "ILAR Guide"

Dealers may use other sources of information on the humane care of farm animals as long as the recommendations satisfy the standards of the AWA.

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