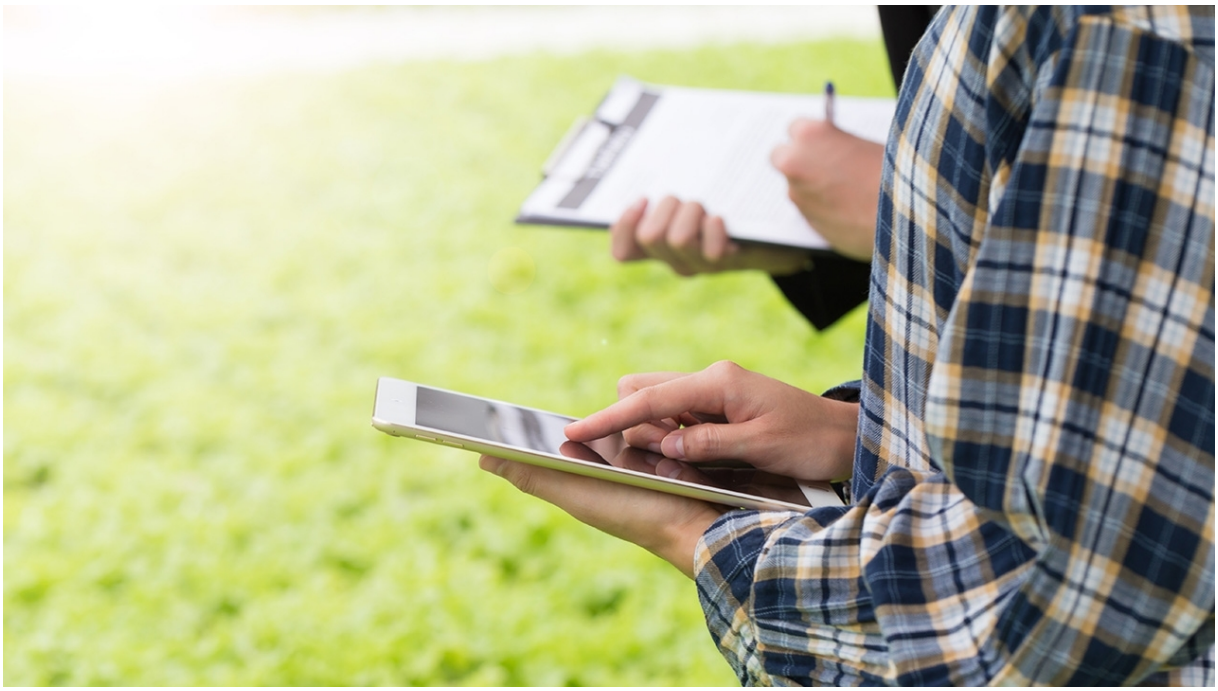
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This page is a resource hub for licensees, registrants, and others in our regulated community. Here, you'll find information to help you achieve compliance and advance your knowledge in animal care and welfare.

Download the Animal Welfare Act and Regulations ("Blue Book")

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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 *(**mandatory** for licensees with dogs/cats)*	APHIS Form 7005 (167.6 KB)
2021-05	Animal Care: Record of Disposition of Dogs and Cats *(**mandatory** for licensees with dogs/cats)*	APHIS Form 7006 (166.53 KB)
2018-04	Animal Care: Program of Veterinary Care	APHIS Form 7002 (177.81 KB)
2022-03	Animal Care: Program of Veterinary Care for Dogs	APHIS Form 7002A (231.18 KB)

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

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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	Gibbon (*Hylobates* spp.)	Primate	Ape
2024-12	Ring-Tailed Lemur (*Lemur catta*)	Primate	Prosimian

Other Animal Care Documents

Updated	Document	Topic
2026-01	Animal Welfare Act Compliance for Dog Breeders (521.22 KB)	Dogs
2025-07	Customer Aid for Live Dog Import Permit Applications	Dogs
2025-07	Bird Welfare Acceptance Checklist	Birds
2024-10	Comparable Standards Evaluation for Foreign Facilities Importing Marine Mammals From the United States (140.46 KB)	Facilities

Updated	Document	Topic
2022-08	Zoo and Aquarium Serology Study (512.28 KB)	Zoos and Aquariums
2022-05	Guidance for Zoos and Captive Wildlife Facilities: Protecting Birds From Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (552.5 KB)	Birds

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