

Proposed APHIS *De Minimis* Exemptions for “Exhibitors”

Cat or dog show exhibitors are not “exhibitors” under the Animal Welfare Act; purebred dog and cat shows are expressly excluded from this law.

These exemptions do not apply to 1) anyone residing in the household that collectively maintains more animals as defined in the exemption than the animals allowed in the specific exemption regardless of ownership; 2) anyone maintaining animals on the premises on which more than the allowed number of animals are maintained; or 3) any person acting in concert with others where they collectively maintain a total animals exceeding the exemption limit regardless of ownership.

