

STATE DOG & CAT SOURCING RESTRICTIONS/BREEDER STANDARDS

	Year Adopted	Dog/Cat Sourcing Restrictions	Statute + Link to Language
AZ		<p>a. A pet store or pet dealer may not obtain a dog or cat for resale or sell or offer for sale any dog or cat obtained from a person who is required to be licensed by the pet dealer regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare Act (7 United States Code sections 2131 through 2159) if any of the following applies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The person is not currently licensed by the United States Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare Act (7 United States Code sections 2131 through 2159). 2. Within two years before obtaining the dog or cat the person commits a direct violation of any of the pet dealer regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare Act (7 United States Code sections 2131 through 2159). 3. The person receives an indirect no access violation on each of the two most recent inspection reports issued by the United States Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare Act (7 United States Code sections 2131 through 2159). 4. The person commits three or more indirect violations of the pet dealer regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture during the two-year period before obtaining the dog or cat for violations relating to the health or welfare of the animal and the violations were not administrative in nature. The indirect violations described in this paragraph do not include a violation described in paragraph 3 of this subsection. <p>b. A pet store or pet dealer may not obtain a dog or cat for resale or sell or offer for sale any dog or cat obtained from a person who directly or indirectly obtained a dog or cat from a person described in subsection a of this section. A pet store or pet dealer is presumed to have acted in good faith and to have satisfied its obligation to ascertain whether a person meets the criteria described in subsection a of this section if, when placing an order to obtain a dog or cat for sale or resale, the pet store or pet dealer conducts a search for inspection reports of the breeder on the animal care information system search tool maintained by the United States Department of Agriculture.</p> <p>c. Notwithstanding subsections a and b of this section, a pet store or pet dealer may obtain a dog or cat for resale or sell or offer for sale any dog or cat obtained from a publicly operated pound or a private, charitable nonprofit humane society or from any animal adoption activity conducted by a pound or humane society.</p>	<p>AZ Revised Statutes: Title 44 (Trade & Commerce)/Article 17 (Pet Dealers), §44-1799.10</p>
CT		<p>No pet shop licensee shall purchase a dog or cat for resale or sell or offer for sale any dog or cat purchased from: (1) Any breeder that (A) is not in possession of a current license issued by the United States Department of Agriculture and any applicable state agency, (B) was found to have committed a direct violation of pet dealer-related regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture during the two-year period prior to such purchase, or (C) was found to have committed three or more indirect violations of pet dealer-related regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture during the two-year period prior to such purchase provided such violations pertained to the health or welfare of an animal and were not administrative in nature; or (2) any other person, firm or corporation that: (A) Is not in possession of a current license issued by the United States Department of Agriculture and any applicable state agency, (B) was found to have committed a direct violation of pet dealer-related regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture during the two-year period prior to such purchase, (C) was found to have committed three or more indirect violations of pet dealer-related regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture during the two-year period prior to such purchase provided such violations pertained to the health or welfare of an animal and were not administrative in nature, or (D) directly or indirectly, has obtained such dog or cat from a breeder described in subdivision (1) of this subsection. Any pet shop licensee violating the provisions of this subsection shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars for each violation. Each day a pet shop licensee is in violation of this subsection shall constitute a separate offense.</p>	<p>CT General Statutes: Title 22 (Agriculture, Domestic Animals)/Chapter 435 (Dogs & Other Companion Animals, Kennels & Pet Shops), §22-354</p>

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LA		<p>B. A retail pet store shall offer for sale only dogs and cats that have been obtained from the following sources:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A breeder that is in compliance with R.S. 3:2772(H). 2. A breeder that has not received from the USDA, pursuant to the Animal Welfare Act, 7 U.S.C. 2131 et seq., or regulations adopted thereunder, any of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) A citation on an inspection report for a direct violation during the three-year period prior to the purchase of the dog or cat by the pet store. b) A citation on an inspection report during the three-year period prior to the purchase of the animal by the pet store for three or more indirect violations. c) A citation on the two most recent inspection reports prior to the purchase of the animal by the pet store for no-access violations. 3. An animal care facility. 4. An animal rescue organization. 	<p>Louisiana Revised Statutes: Title 3 (Agriculture & Forestry), §3:2511 (Restrictions on the Retail Sale of Dogs & Cats)</p>

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NJ		<p>No pet shop shall sell or offer for sale, or purchase for resale whether or not actually offered for sale by the pet shop, any animal purchased from any breeder or broker who:</p> <p>(1) is not in compliance with the requirements concerning the maintenance and care of animals and the sanitary operation of kennels, pet shops, shelters and pounds established in rules and regulations adopted pursuant to section 14 of P.L.1941, c.151 (C.4:19-15.14) at the time of purchase of the animal by the pet shop; (2) is not in possession of a current license issued by the USDA pursuant to 9 C.F.R. s.1.1 et seq.; (3) is not in possession of all other licenses required for a breeder or broker by the state in which the breeder or broker is located;(4) has been cited on a USDA inspection report for a direct violation of the federal "Animal Welfare Act," 7 U.S.C. s.2131 et seq., or the corresponding federal animal welfare regulations at 9 C.F.R. s.1.1 et seq., during the two-year period prior to the purchase of the animal by the pet shop;(5) has been cited on a USDA inspection report during the two-year period prior to the purchase of the animal by the pet shop for three or more indirect violations of the federal "Animal Welfare Act," 7 U.S.C. s.2131 et seq., or the corresponding federal animal welfare regulations at sections 2.4, 2.40, 2.50 through 2.55, 2.60, 2.75 through 2.80, 2.130 through 2.132, 3.1 through 3.19, or 3.125 through 3.142 of Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations;(6) is cited on the two most recent USDA inspection reports prior to the purchase of the animal by the pet shop for no-access violations pursuant to enforcement of the federal "Animal Welfare Act," 7 U.S.C. s.2131 et seq., or the corresponding federal animal welfare regulations at 9 C.F.R. s.1.1 et seq.; or (7) directly or indirectly obtained the animal from a breeder, broker, or other person, firm, corporation, or organization to whom paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), or (6) of this subsection applies.</p> <p>b. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as prohibiting or otherwise preventing a pet shop from:</p> <p>(1) purchasing for resale or adoption, selling, or offering for adoption, an animal purchased or otherwise obtained from – (a) a publicly operated animal control facility, (b) an animal rescue organization or pound as defined in section 1 of P.L.1941, c.151 (C.4:19-15.1), or (c) a shelter as defined in section 1 of P.L.1941, c.151 (C.4:19-15.1) whose primary mission and practice is the placement of abandoned, unwanted, neglected, or abused animals and that is also a tax exempt organization under paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of section 501 of the federal Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. s.501), or any subsequent corresponding sections of the federal Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time amended; or (2) transferring adopted animals to or from any entity enumerated in paragraph (1) of this subsection or to or from any pet shop. c. Every pet shop shall submit, annually and no later than May 1 of each year, a report to the municipality in which it is located and licensed, providing:</p> <p>(1) the name, full street address, email address, if available, and USDA license number of -</p> <p>(a) any breeder from which the pet shop purchased an animal, whether or not the pet shop offered the animal for sale, (b) any breeder that bred an animal that the pet shop purchased from a broker, whether or not the pet shop offered the animal for sale, and (c) any broker from which the pet shop purchased an animal, whether or not the pet shop offered the animal for sale; (2) if a breeder whose identity the pet shop is required to report pursuant to subparagraph (a) or (b) of paragraph (1) of this subsection is required to be licensed in the state in which the breeder is located, the breeder’s state license number; (3) if a broker whose identity the pet shop is required to report pursuant to subparagraph (c) of paragraph (1) of this subsection is different from any breeder whose identity the pet shop is required to report pursuant to subparagraph (a) or (b) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, and the broker is required to be licensed in the state in which the broker is located, the broker’s state license number; and (4) the total number of animals for each breeder and broker for which the pet shop has reporting requirements pursuant to subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c) of paragraph (1) of this subsection.</p>	<p>NJ General Statutes: Title 56 (Trade Names, Trade-Marks & Unfair Trade Practices), §8-95.1 (Certain animals offered by breeder, broker, prohibited sale by pet shop)</p>

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VA		<p>A. A pet shop shall sell or offer for adoption a dog procured only from a humane society or private or public animal shelter as those terms are defined in § 3.2-6500 or from a person who has not received from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, pursuant to enforcement of the federal Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) or regulations adopted thereunder, (i) a citation for a direct violation or citations for three or more indirect violations for at least two years prior to the procurement of the dog or (ii) two consecutive citations for no access to the facility prior to the procurement of the dog.</p> <p>B. It shall be unlawful for any commercial dog breeder who is not licensed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture pursuant to the federal Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) or regulations adopted thereunder to sell any dog to a pet shop.</p> <p>C. A pet shop shall retain records verifying compliance with this section for a minimum of two years after the disposition of any dog.</p> <p>D. Any person violating any provision of this section is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor for each dog sold or offered for sale.</p>	<p>Code of Virginia:</p> <p>Title 3.2 (Agriculture, Animal Care & Food)/Chapter 65 (Comprehensive Animal Care), §3.2-6511.1 (Pet Shops; procurement of dogs)</p>