# **Reminders About Selling Animals at AFRMA Shows**

These rules are for the health and safety of all the animals exhibited (show/sales) during our show. The rules are outlined briefly here-full details in the Seller's Guidelines List.

## Anyone not following these rules will be banned from AFRMA events.

- Must be an AFRMA member to sell animals and must be present to do so
- Must submit an Exhibitor/Sellers Form prior to/with entry
- · Animals must belong to the seller and they must have been in possession of them for a minimum of 5 weeks for mice, 6 weeks for rats (maximum of 15 per species for sale). Any new animals you bring into your rattery/mousery must go through a minimum 12-week quarantine period before being entered in a show. Breeders should be testing new stock brought in as some diseases have no symptoms.
- A Sales Permit must be purchased for sales that day or for pre-sold (pre-sold animals being delivered must meet all requirements for health and age)
- All animals must be health checked. Health check is to be done during the designated time only.
- All animals must be minimum age (5 weeks mice, 6 weeks rats) or older, pass the health check in the morning, and meet the minimum requirements for age and size (kitten rat weight guideline at 6 weeks: males to be 8 oz/~236 g, females 6 oz/~177 g; 4 month females 11 oz/~311 g)
- Animals not passing health check or too small for their age will not be allowed to be sold/delivered.
- All sales of animals must occur inside the building on the Sales Tables during the show. Sales/delivery in the parking lot or on the grounds of the show location are not allowed. Sale animals should not have anyone handle them other than people serious about buying them.
- · You must provide the show staff a pedigree or birth certificate of all animals being sold/delivered.
- Hand out your business card or AFRMA Brochure with your name/no. with all animals sold, along with a Pedigree or Birth Certificate

Sale Animals: Send a list to the Show Secretary (showsec@afrma.org) with a copy of the pedigree/Birth Certificate of what you have for sale (including pre-sold). Sales/delivery of animals must occur inside the center on the Sales Table. See Show Schedule or Seller's Guidelines for complete details. Kitten rat weight guideline at 6 weeks: males to be 8 oz/~236 g, females 6 oz/~177 g; 4 month females 11 oz/~311 g.

Thank you for your cooperation.





### **AFRMA Seller's Guideline List**

#### **HEALTH CHECK**

ALL animals (show or otherwise) will be health checked and approved by an AFRMA representative. This is for the health and safety of ALL the animals at the show. If any illness or problem is found that would normally take the animal off the show table, i.e. respiratory, scabs, etc., we will require that the entire cage be set aside (wire divided cages to be considered as one cage; solid partition cages to count as individual cages) and none can be shown or sold out of that cage. *Update:* Animals are to be brought in individual solid-sided carriers. Cages that do not pass the health check will be put behind the AFRMA sales table until the end of the show. Colored dots will be used denoting whether the cage passed or didn't pass. (Yellow is OK, blue not OK). Health checking done in the A.M. only. *Any new animals you bring into your rattery/mousery must go through a minimum 12-week quarantine period before being entered in a show.* [Effective September 15, 2018] *Breeders should be* testing new stock brought in as some diseases have no symptoms.

#### **SELLING**

All animals/items for sale must be inside on the Sales Tables. Sales/delivery outside the building is NOT allowed. Members are the only ones allowed to advertise animals or other items for sale at the shows and must be present to do so. Sale animals should not have anyone handle them other than people serious about buying them. The following rules are for members who sell an animal:

- 1. Must submit an Exhibitor/Sellers Form prior to/with entry.
- Animals for sale must belong to the seller and must have owned and been in possession of the mice for at least 5 weeks, rats for 6 weeks. You will only be allowed a total of 15 animals per species.
- 3. Rats to be 6 weeks to the day minimum age/weaned as long as healthy and in good condition; mice to be 5 weeks minimum. Runts or babies from large litters will need to wait longer before being offered for sale as they will not be approved to sell at at the minimum age. [Kitten Rat Weight Guidelines at 6 weeks: males to be 8 oz/approximately(~)236 g, females 6 oz/~177 g, 4 month females 11 oz/~311 g.] Must bring written proof of age (pedigree or birth certificate). Pre-sold delivered animals must pass all requirements.
- 4. Animals must be health checked. Small, scrawny, sick animals will not be approved.
- The minimum starting price for mice/hamsters will be \$7 each, rats \$15 each (you can charge more, but must start at the minimum price). There will no longer be "free" litters allowed.
- Hand out an AFRMA brochure with your name and phone number on it with each animal sold. Brochures available from the club or at any show.

#### **RESCUE ANIMALS**

There will be a maximum of 2 animals per show, per seller allowed, except for those recognized by AFRMA as warranted rat and mouse recyclers, with a minimum of a \$5 adoption fee per animal for mice/hamsters, and a minimum \$10 adoption fee per animal for rats. Rescue animals must pass all above criteria.

#### **SELLING PERMITS**

Members will be responsible for selling their own animals or other items on the Sales Table at the shows. You will be required to buy a Sales Permit (sticker) at a flat rate of \$10 per person. You must be signed up to sell and paid for by the show deadline. We also have Yearly Sales Permits for \$30 per year starting from the time of purchase. Space is provided on the Entry Blank. A permit must be purchased for pre-sold delivered animals. You will receive stickers for each cage of sale animals and for each group of other items. See the Show Secretary upon arriving at the show. All other rules about selling will apply (e.g. you are the owner, health checking, minimum of 6 weeks of age rats/5 weeks mice, hand out brochure with each animal sold with your name and phone number, etc.). If you are just selling animals, you will still check in with the Show Secretary and sign an Entry Blank showing you were there after getting your animals health checked. E-mail/bring a pedigree or birth certificate for your sales animals!

# Minimum Selling Price

## FOR SALES ANIMALS



- 1. Must submit an <u>Exhibitor/Sellers Form</u> prior to/with entry.
- 2. Animals for sale must belong to the seller (seller must be a member of the club, and the animals must pass the health check) and must have owned and been in possession of the mice for at least 5 weeks, rats for 6 weeks. You will only be allowed a total of 15 animals per species. Any new animals you bring into your rattery/mousery must go through a minimum 12-week quarantine period before being entered in a show. Breeders should be testing new stock brought in as some diseases have no symptoms.
- 3. The *starting* price for mice/hamsters will be \$7 each; rats \$15 each (you can charge more, but must start at the minimum price). *There will no longer be "free" litters allowed.*
- 4. **RESCUE ANIMALS:** There will be a maximum of 2 animals per show, per seller with a minimum of a \$5 adoption fee per animal for mice/hamsters, and a minimum \$10 adoption fee per animal for rats.
- 5. **SALES PERMIT FEE:** The price for an animal sales permit will be \$10 per person per show or \$30 for a yearly permit. A permit must be purchased for pre-sold delivered animals.
- 6. SALES ANIMALS/ITEMS: All animals/items for sale must be on the Sales Table at the shows. Members are the only ones allowed to advertise animals or other items for sale at the shows and must be present to do so. <u>Sale animals should not have anyone handle them other than people serious about buying them.</u>