

BREEDERS SHOW REGULATIONS

The Breeders Show Regulations are intended for the Vendors of animals participating in the Breeders Show, and they also set out the conditions determining the participation of Vendors and Visitors in the Breeders Show. Each Vendor and Visitor is responsible for compliance with the conditions set out in the Breeders Show Regulations and demonstrates his/her approval with these Regulations by virtue of his/her participation in the Breeders Show.

Aim and objective of the Regulations

The Breeders Show Regulations set out the conditions for animal Vendors – exotic birds, pigeons, poultry, rabbits, fur animals, rodents, aquarium fish and terrarium animals.

Rights and obligations of the Organizer

- The Breeders Show of exotic birds, pigeons, poultry, rabbits, fur animals, rodents, aquarium fish and terrarium animals and supplementary products for breeders (hereinafter „Breeders Show“) is organized by agrokomples NATIONAL EXHIBITION CENTER, state enterprise, Nitra and the Slovak Breeders Association.
- The Organizer shall provide space – multi-purpose exhibition halls – for the Breeders Show. The Organizer shall provide covered exhibition halls „N“, „G“ and „M5“ in its Exhibition Center to host the Breeders Show. In the case of high Vendor interest, the Organizer shall allocate additional space.
- The Organizer shall provide for the preparation, cleaning, disinfection and disinfestation of the Breeders Show premises; however, the Organizer shall not provide the shipping containers for animals, and shall not be responsible for the transport of animals to and from the Breeders Show.
- The Organizer shall provide veterinary supervision at the Breeders Show in Hall „N“ by a resident veterinarian.
- The resident veterinarian shall be entitled to reject and order out any sick animals or animals suspected of being sick/infected. The disposal of animal corpses shall be carried out according to the Regulation (EC) No. 1069/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002 (Animal by-products Regulation) (OJ L 300, 14.11.2009, p. 1) by the respective breeder at his/her own expense.
- The Organizer shall not be liable for any damage caused by theft, harm or death of the animals at the Breeders Show, and the Vendors and Visitors shall not be entitled to compensation from the Organizer in this respect.
- The Organizer shall not be responsible for theft, damage or loss of goods, vehicles, and other property of the Vendors and Visitors at the Breeders Show.
- The Organizer reserves the right to cancel the Breeders Show. The reasons for canceling the Breeders Show include a veterinary ban to hold the Breeders Show. In the case of cancellation, the Organizer shall not be liable for the costs incurred to the Vendors related to the transport of animals and goods to the Breeders Show and the booking of tables.
- The Organizer shall issue a notice about the cancellation on its website no later than 7 days before the date of the Breeders Show.
- The Organizer is entitled to verify the compliance with the Breeders Show Regulations by its employees and other authorized persons and require the participants to follow the requirements laid down in these Breeders Show Regulations.
- The Organizer shall collect entrance fees from the Visitors and vendor fees from the Vendors.

Organizational rules

- The Breeders Show is held every fourth Sunday of the month. The Organizer reserves the right to change the date of the Breeders Show. The Organizer shall issue a notice about the new date on its website no later than 7 days before the original date. As a general rule, the Breeders Show dates are defined one year in advance.
- A Breeders Show Vendor is a retailer of animals, goods and services. The Vendor is fully responsible for the health of animals and quality of supplied goods and services.
- The Vendors may enter the Exhibition Center from 4.00 am through Gate B2 where they pay the Vendor fee. The Vendors entering the premises without a vehicle may use the Hall G ticket office, which is open from 4:30 am. By entering the Breeders Show premises, the Vendors agree with the Breeders Show Regulations and undertake to respect and follow them.
- The Breeders Show is open to the general public from 6.00 am to 10.00 am through Gate B1 and B2 and through the Hall G ticket office.
- The Breeders Show ends at 10.00 am.
- The Breeders Show shall be held in Hall N, G and M5 and the adjacent outdoor areas. Hall N houses exotic birds, ornamental birds, bird buyers, aquarium fish, vivarium animals and rodents, and cannot be accessed by vehicle. The above species may only be sold in Hall N. Hall G houses poultry, pigeons, rabbits and fur animals, and cannot be accessed by vehicle. The halls are intended solely for the sale of live animals. Hall M5 is intended for the farmers' market and the sale of supplementary breeder products. This hall can be accessed by vehicle.
- The Organizer reserves the right to hold a reservation of the Vendor booths in Hall M5 until 5.30 am. If found unoccupied after 5.30 am, the booths may be rented to other Vendors. The Organizer reserves the right to hold a reservation of the tables in Hall N until 7.00 am. If found unoccupied after 7.00 am, the tables may be occupied by other breeders.
- Space in the outside areas cannot be booked and it is occupied as per the instructions of the Organizer.
- The size of a Vendor's booth is 5x3 m, i.e. 15 m².
- Vendor's booth fee:** Commodity vendors (in exhibition hall) 14,- €
Non-commodity vendors, purchasing (in exhibition hall) 10,- €
Outdoor vendors 5,- €
Table space in Hall N, 1m / Breeders Show 1,- €
Entrance fee 2,00 €
Passenger vehicle parking 2,00 €
Bus parking 20,00 €

Other fees:

In addition to renting the Vendor space, each Vendor shall pay the entrance fee and parking fee. Modifications of the charges will be listed in the relevant yearly price list.

- The Vendors and Visitors can park their vehicles in the designated parking areas only.
- After the end of the Breeders Show, the vendors are obliged to leave the Exhibition Center by 12.00 pm.
- In addition to the Breeders Show Regulations, each Vendor is obliged to observe the „Exhibition Center Regulations“; see www.agrokomplex.sk**

Animal species and categories of animals at the Breeders Show

- The Breeders Show is intended for the sale of the following species: exotic and ornamental birds, pigeons, poultry, rabbits, rodents, vivarium animals, aquarium fish, fur animals (ferret, farmed fox, raccoon, mink, nutria, chinchilla).
- Only healthy animals in good shape may be exhibited and sold at the Breeders Show. Pregnant females in the second half of pregnancy and breastfeeding females are excluded from the Breeders Show.

Animal handling

- The Breeders Show can take the form of animal exchange between the breeders or sale and purchase between the individual participants. The sale and purchase of animals is carried out by the participants themselves, in their own name and on their own responsibility.
- The animals are only handled in the case of a purchase/sale, in which the animal is moved from one transport cage (exhibition cage or container) to another. The animals shall be handled by the breeders in a way to prevent their agitation, mistreatment or torture, and reduce the risk of injury to a minimum in accordance with Act no. 39/2007 § 22 on animal protection.
- The persons handling the animals shall observe the animals throughout the duration of the Breeders Show and take note of the fact that the animals are in a foreign environment and can act defensively.
- No animal tests, competitions, dressage and exercises are allowed at the Breeders Show.
- The Organizer is entitled to ban the persons who violate the Breeders Show terms (e.g. use of illegal aids, equipment and tools, inadequate punishment or strain of the animals, use of devices and tools that cause injury or stress to animals, failure to bring the animal to a veterinary examination, non-availability of the relevant veterinary certificate).

Equipment, tools and aids for animal handling

- The Breeders Show takes place in the exhibition halls of agrokomples NATIONAL EXHIBITION CENTER, state enterprise, Nitra, which meet the spatial and sanitary conditions for the convention of a large number of people, animals and goods.
- The exhibition halls are equipped with stands for the exhibit/transport cages or containers. Due to the short duration of the Breeders Show (maximum of 6 hours), the animals need not be moved out of the cages or containers to other exhibition or breeding areas. The Vendors are responsible for the welfare of their animals, especially for providing water, food, treatment and supervision.
- The transport cages, display cages and containers for the different kinds of animals shall have a size that minimizes the risk of injury, stress and suffering of the animals.
- The exhibition and storage cages for animals shall comply with the minimum dimensions specified in Annex 1 of these Breeders Show Regulations.
- The aids for handling the animals shall be used by the breeders at their own expense.

Transport of animals to the Breeders Show

- The transport of animals to the Breeders Show and back is ensured by the breeder. The transport shall comply with the Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 of 22 December 2004 on the protection of animals during transport and related operations and amending Directives 64/432/EEC and 93/119/EC and Regulation (EC) No 1255/97.
- The animals may only be transported in such transport means that are designed to technically ensure animal welfare, minimize the possibility of injury during transport, allow regular inspection of the animals and their well-being, meet the relevant technical requirements and have the necessary equipment and accessories.
- No open fire may be used, and no objects may be transported inside these transport means that could adversely affect the welfare of animals or damage their health, particularly flammable substances and irritants.
- The breeders are obliged to ensure the animals delivered to the Breeders Show exhibit no obvious symptoms of sickness.

First aid and veterinary care, animal protection supervision

- First aid, veterinary care and veterinary supervision are provided by the resident veterinarian in Hall N at the marked location. The resident veterinarian has the necessary conditions for the proper examination and treatment of animals.
- The breeders are obliged to provide all necessary documents, information, materials and personal assistance necessary to the animal protection supervisors to perform their duties, including, when requested, showing the animal to the place required by the animal protection supervisor.
- Animal protection supervision may be carried out by the veterinary inspectors who identify themselves to the breeders with a valid identification card.

Instruction on animal welfare and other provisions

- These Breeders Show Regulations are available on the notice boards at the entrance to the Breeders Show in Hall N, G and M5 and on the www.agrokomplex.sk and www.szch.sk website.
- The Breeders Show is open to domestic and foreign breeders provided the following veterinary and trading conditions laid down by the Regional Veterinary and Food Administration Nitra (the „DVFA Nitra“) are followed and observed:
 - When engaging in the activities related to the Breeders Show, the Organizer and breeder is required to comply with the established veterinary and sanitary requirements, trading regulations and other applicable regulations.
 - The animals exhibited at the Breeders Show shall meet the veterinary conditions in accordance with the valid legislation in the Slovak Republic, EU and these Breeders Show Regulations.
 - When motioned by the veterinarian, the Organizer is authorized to ban an animal from the Breeders Show if it manifests symptoms of a disease, stress or other negative signs that lead to animal suffering.
 - The Organizer is entitled to ban a Visitor or Vendor from the Breeders Show for the violation or non-compliance with the Breeders Show Regulations without any refund of the entrance fee.

Validity and effectiveness of the Breeders Show Regulations

- These Breeders Show Regulations are valid and effective from 1.12.2012.
- These Breeders Show Regulations are binding for the Vendors, Visitors and participants in the Breeders Show.
- Each change in the Breeders Show Regulations shall be posted to the www.agrokomplex.sk website

ANNEX 1 TO BREEDERS SHOW REGULATIONS

Recommended minimum housing space for individual animal species specified by veterinary experts:

A) Poultry

Animal category	Approximate weight of the animal (in kg)	Minimum animal cage height in m	Minimum cage floor area per animal in m ²
Chicken - small breeds	0.5	0.4	0.16
Chicken - medium breeds	3	0.5	0.25
Chicken - large breeds	4	0.6	0.36
Guinea fowl	2	0.6	0.36
Turkey	6 to 12	1	1
Duck - small breeds	1 to 1.5	0.4	0.16
Duck - large breeds	2 to 4	0.7	0.49
Goose	4 to 9	1	1

B) Rabbits

Animal category	Approximate weight of the animal (in kg)	Minimum animal cage height in m	Minimum cage floor area per animal in m ²
Dwarf breeds	1.2	0.3	0.14
Small breeds	3	0.35	0.2
Medium breeds	4 to 5	0.4	0.3
Large breeds	Above 6	0.4	0.36

C) Pigeons

Animal category	Approximate weight of the animal (in kg)	Minimum animal cage height in m	Minimum cage floor area per animal in m ²
Small breeds	0.5	0.25	0.0625
Medium breeds	0.5 to 0.75	0.3	0.09
Large breeds	Above 0.75	0.4	0.16

D) Fur animals

Animal category	Approximate weight of the animal (in kg)	Minimum animal cage height in m	Minimum cage floor area per animal in m ²
Mink	3	0.4	0.255
Ferret	2	0.4	0.255
Farmed fox	15	0.7	0.8
Raccoon	18	0.7	0.8
Coypu	5.5	0.5	0.8
Chinchilla	0.5	0.21	0.059

E) Equipment, tools and aids for animal handling

- The exhibition cages, transport cages and containers for the different kinds of animals shall be clean and large enough to minimize the risk of injury, stress and suffering of the animals.
- Birds may only be sold from clean exhibition cages with water and food, two perches and a maximum of two birds per cage. Birds may also be brought to the Breeders Show in a transport box, which must be clean, it need not contain water and feed, but it may not be crowded. Birds may be sold for subsequent resale from such transport boxes. Birds shall not be sold from such transport boxes directly, and they shall be placed under the table facing the alley with their back side. These transport boxes can be used to add birds to the exhibition cages if the number of birds in the exhibition cage is below the defined number (two or four).

Birds may only be exhibited and sold on the tables in the exhibition cages of a crate type with the following external dimensions:

SMALL EXHIBITION CAGE:

- Cages for canaries, zebra finches and similar sized birds **30 cm (W), 18 cm (D), 24 cm (H)**
- Cage for budgies, forpus, neophema and similar sized birds **35.5 cm (W), 16.5 cm (D), 30.5 cm (H)**
All exhibition cages for budgies, canaries, zebra finches, forpus, agapornis, neophema and small exotics birds up to the size of a diamond pigeon shall have four (4) birds per cage.

MEDIUM EXHIBITION CAGE:

- Cages for medium-sized Rosella parrots, Amazonian parrots, Jacos, Eclectus parrots and other similar sized birds **51 cm (W), 24.5 cm (D), 46 cm (H)**

LARGE EXHIBITION CAGE:

- Cages for large types of parrots, Moluccan cockatoos, Blue-headed macaws and similar sized birds **62 cm (W), 30.5 cm (D), 61 cm (H)**.
- A wire-mesh cage for large and mid-sized birds - blue-and-yellow macaws, Amazonian parrots and other birds similar in size, shall be large enough for the bird not to touch the ceiling with the top of its head and the bottom with its tail.

The exhibition cages of all types will be available for purchase during the Breeders Show from the vendors of exhibition cages and/or from other sources, or self-made by the breeders.

ANNEX 2 TO BREEDERS SHOW REGULATIONS

Veterinary conditions

The Nitra Regional Veterinary Authority, which acts as the local competent state administration body in the field of veterinary care in accordance with Article 8 of Act no. 39/2007 Coll. on veterinary care, as amended, defines the following veterinary requirements for the Breeders Show of exotic birds, pigeons, poultry, rabbits, fur animals, rodents, aquarium fish, terrarium animals and supplementary products for farmers:

1/ Conditions for animals from the Slovak Republic

- All animals shall have an accompanying travel document, in which a private veterinarian from the breeder's area shall certify that the animals show no clinical signs of disease with regard to infectious diseases transmissible to the said animal species (exotic and decorative birds, poultry, pigeons, rabbits, fur animals - ferret, farmed fox, raccoon, mink).
- The owners of fur animals (ferrets, farmed fox, raccoon, mink) must be able to present a valid veterinary document (health card or passport) to the veterinary inspectors, certifying the following veterinary requirements:
 - Animals older than 3 months must be verifiably vaccinated against rabies in the health passport not less than three weeks ago, and the vaccine used must be registered in Slovakia, inactivated, containing at least 1 international antigenic unit according to the WHO standards.
 - The certificate of vaccination against rabies must include the name and batch number of the vaccine.
- In relation to rabies, ferrets younger than 3 months must meet the general requirements indicated in the veterinary document, which must state that they were born in the original culture and were raised in it from birth.

Fur animals (ferrets) born on or after November 1, 2011 must be uniquely identified by a transponder - microchip in compliance with ISO 11784. This unique identification shall be in accordance with the Regulation of the European Parliament and Council (EC) No. 998/2003.

2/ Animals from other EU Member States

- Poultry shall meet the conditions stipulated in the Council Directive no. 2009/158/EC and be accompanied by a health certificate in the TRACES system, which is verified by the relevant veterinary authority.
- Attentive animals older than 3 months (ferret, farmed fox, raccoon, mink) must be verifiably vaccinated against rabies not less than three weeks ago, and the vaccine used must be registered in Slovakia, inactivated, containing at least 1 international antigenic unit according to the WHO standards. The certificate of vaccination against rabies shall include the name and batch number of the vaccine.
- Fur animals (ferrets) born on or after November 1, 2011 must be uniquely identified by a transponder - microchip in compliance with ISO 11784. This unique identification shall be in accordance with the Regulation of the European Parliament and Council (EC) No. 998/2003.

3/ Animals from other EU Member States must meet the requirements of the Council Directive 92/65/EEC, which is implemented in the Slovak Government Regulation no. 313/2003 Coll. on animal health requirements for the transport, exchange with other EU Member States, and import of animals, sperm, ova and embryos from third countries, as amended, and shall be accompanied by a health certificate in the TRACES system, which shall be confirmed by the relevant veterinary authority. The veterinary requirements for the individual species are set out in the intra-Community trade certificates.

The breeders and owners transporting the animals are obliged to comply with the conditions under the Council Regulation (EC) No. 1/2005 on the protection of animals during transport.

The following types of animals are excluded from Breeders Show:

- Dogs
- Cats
- Ruminants
- Antilocapridae
- Equidae