Sale of Animals

Santa Cruz County.
A. No animals, including birds, reptiles and fish, shall be offered for sale, prize, gift or other transfer of ownership, an no animals, including birds, reptiles or fish shall be sold, given away or otherwise transferred, on or from any public street, roadway, right of way, sidewalk, park, swap meet, carnival, petting zoo or malls. A 'swap meet' is defined for the purpose of this section as a place of commercial activity popularly known as a swap meet, flea market, or park-and-swap, which is open to the general public and composed of enclosed, semi-enclosed or outdoor stalls, stands or spaces rented or leased to persons on a temporary basis for the purpose of display and sale, barter or exchange of new or used merchandise. This ordinance shall not prohibit the sale of animals at county fairs, animal exhibitions or shows. 4-H activities, pet shops in malls, and other activities or events that are regulated by other state or county agencies including but not limited to livestock activities regulated by A.R.S. Title 3, Chapter 11. Livestock for purposes of this ordinance shall be as defined in A.R.S. §3-1201(5).

B. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor. Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

C. The county animal control enforcement agent or the County Sheriff's Department shall:

1. Enforce the provisions of this ordinance
2. Issue citations for the violation of this ordinance. The procedure for the issuance of notices to appear shall be as provided for peace officers in A.R.S. §13-3903, except that the animal control enforcement agent shall not make an arrest prior to issuing the notice.

D. The issuance of citations pursuant to this ordinance shall be subject to the provisions of A.R.S. §13-3899.

City of Nogales.
No animals, including birds, reptiles and fish, shall be offered for sale, prize, gift or other transfer of ownership, on or from any public streets, roadways, rights-of-way, sidewalks, parks, swap meets, carnivals, or public parking areas. A "swap Meet" is defined for the purpose of this section as a place of commercial activity popularly known as a swap meet, flea market, or park-and-swap, which is open to the general public and composed of enclosed, semi-enclosed, or outdoor stalls, stands or spaces rented or leased to persons on a temporary basis for the purpose of display and sale, barter, or exchange of new or used merchandise.

Exceptions: The provisions of this section shall not prohibit the sale of animals at animal exhibitions or shows, 4-H activities, and other activities or events that are regulated by local, state, or federal agencies.
Penalties: A violation of any provision of this section is punishable by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars ($300.00) for any person. Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

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