

able to keep the dog or cat in a proper manner; and when a new owner cannot be found, the original owner shall seek to have the prefectural governor (the mayor of said city, in the event that the owner is a resident of a city designated by Cabinet Order as provided in paragraph 1 of Article 7 of the Law) take custody of the dog or cat.

(2) The owner of a dog or cat should not transfer a puppy or kitten which is not weaned except under special circumstances.

STANDARDS RELATING TO THE KEEPING AND CUSTODY OF ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION, ETC.

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the Prime Minister's Office)

I. General Principles

1. Persons in charge of or keepers of animals for exhibition should understand the habits, physiology, and ecology, etc. of the animals in their charge and treat them with affection; should exhibit the animals in their natural form and seek to deepen the knowledge of animals and an interest in the protection of animals among spectators; and should control the animals for exhibition in a responsible manner so as to prevent them from doing any harm to human life, body or property, and polluting or damaging the living environment.

2. The person in charge should select the animals to be kept for exhibition by taking into account the site and condition of the facilities and the ability of the keepers to look after the animals and other factors.

3. The person in charge should take measures such as the transfer of the animals to other zoological gardens or other like places when the person in charge deems that there are difficulties at the facilities under his charge in providing appropriate exhibition and breeding conditions for the animals for exhibition or other problems in keeping the animals for exhibition.

4. The person in charge should keep animals for exhibition for the duration of the animals' lives, except in such cases as where an animal for exhibition is afflicted by a contagious disease or there is the danger of serious damage being inflicted on humans or other animals, or where the animal is afflicted with a disease or injury involving great pain and with no