

APPLICATION TO OFFER A DOMESTIC ANIMAL AS A PRIZE

The name and address of the person who proposes to offer or give away a domestic animal as a prize in a game to be held in connection with an agricultural, educational or vocational program and the name of the program

PHONE No. _____ FAX No. _____ EMAIL _____

A description of the agricultural, educational or vocational activities conducted or promoted by the program described above

Identify any entity that shall receive any portion of the proceeds of the game and setting forth the percentage of the proceeds that the entity shall receive.

State the date, time and location of both the agricultural, educational or vocational program and the game at which it is proposed that any domestic animal be offered or given away as a prize.

Describe or identify each domestic animal that will be offered as a prize. Include additional pages if necessary.

SPECIES _____ SEX _____ COLOR _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ DATE WEANED _____

Also include any types of identification marks such as brands or tattoos or ear tags _____

Attach a copy of the written instructions for the proper care of each domestic animal described above that will be given to the person receiving the domestic animal offered as a prize.

Additional Conditions and Requirements of Domestic Animal Offerings.

(a) *General.* A person who offers or gives away a domestic animal as a prize in a game conducted in connection with an agricultural, educational or vocational program sponsored or sanctioned by the Department shall adhere to the following conditions and requirements:

(1) *Unweaned animals.* A domestic animal may not be offered or given away unless it is weaned. An animal is weaned if it accepts sufficient food and water to meet its nutritional needs from a source other than a parent.

(2) *Veterinarian's certification.* A domestic animal may not be offered or given away unless it is accompanied by written certification from a licensed veterinarian that it has been examined and found free of evidence of disease or physical defect no more than 10 days prior to the offering or giving away. The person offering or giving away the domestic animal shall retain a copy of this veterinarian certification for 2 years from the date the domestic animal was offered or given away.

(3) *Instructions for handling and care.* A domestic animal may not be offered or given away unless it is accompanied by a written statement setting forth its origin, age, sex and instructions for its proper care. The person offering or giving away the domestic animal shall retain a copy of this statement for 2 years from the date the domestic animal was offered or given away.

(4) *Persons under 18 years of age.* A domestic animal may not be given away to a person under 18 years of age unless the person giving away the animal first obtains the written consent of a parent or guardian of the prospective recipient of the animal. The person offering or giving away the domestic animal shall retain a copy of this written consent for 2 years from the date the domestic animal was given away.

(b) *Violation of conditions and requirements.* If the Department has sponsored or sanctioned an agricultural, educational or vocational program, that sponsorship or sanction will be considered void if the person offering or giving away a domestic animal as a prize in a game held in connection with the program violates a condition in subsection (a). If a person violates a condition in subsection (a), the statutory exception in 18 Pa.C.S. § 5547 does not apply, and the person offering or giving away the domestic animal shall be subject to prosecution under the act. The violation will be prosecuted as a summary criminal offense punishable by a fine of not more than \$250.

Submit completed application and associated documents to:

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture
Bureau of Animal Health and Diagnostic Services
2301 N. Cameron Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110