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## **Extended Animal Control Concerns - Wildlife/Hybrids as Pets**

### **Guideline Statement**

NACA opposes the keeping, sale, or breeding of wildlife and wildlife hybrids as pets.

### **Basis for Guideline**

Animal control agencies commonly receive complaints concerning this matter. Common complaints include inadequate housing, insufficient medical attention, removal of natural defenses, confinement related stress. The high mortality rates associated with the capture and transport of wild animals and the serious depletion of wild populations are important factors. NACA feels that the breeding of hybrids instills a false impression of security to the public and creates a danger to public health and safety.

### **Guideline Recommendation**

NACA urges animal control agencies to take steps to make the selling, keeping, or breeding of wild or hybrid animals as prohibitive as possible.

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The foregoing Guideline has been affirmed as duly adopted by the NACA Board of Directors.

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