



Breeder Resource Guide

Keeping Up to Date with the USDA

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Have you found USDA regulations difficult to read or comprehend? Are you among the hundreds of breeders who rely on a third party to "interpret" the USDA guidelines for you? Do you have trouble sifting the dog kennel rules out from the lighting requirements for hamsters? Help has arrived!

The USDA Center for Animal Welfare and USDA Animal Care have published a **Dog Breeder Resource Guide**, to be used as a practical source of information for commercial dog breeders. It is the product of years of pleas from the dog breeding industry for a user-friendly way to quickly locate information we need. Understanding and adhering to federal regulations is critical to our businesses. This guide will be a great help.

In addition to providing the information you need in a very readable format, it is bound in a manner that allows for insertion of updates as they become available. Now we have a handy way to truly keep up with the USDA.

The first section gathers their most often accessed online publications for breeders, such as fact sheets, tech notes and policies. The second section presents the Animal Welfare Act in its entirety. The third section focuses on only those AWA regulations that

pertain to commercial dog breeding. The guide ends with links for additional electronic references.

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