

Proposed: Chapter 7 Animal Rescue Amendment

EXISTING TEXT:

s. 7.011(13)

“Animal sanctuary” means a facility where non-livestock animals are brought to live and to be protected and that does not seek to place animals with a person.

s. 7.035 Recreational Uses

Use Table										
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Principal Use	(a) SFR	(b) MFR	(c) RUC	(d) COM	(e) RCOM	(f) IND	(g) EA	(h) RC	(i) AG	Secondary Standards
7.035 Recreational Uses										
(1) Animal Sanctuary									C	7.077

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(1) *Setbacks.* All structures associated with animal sanctuaries shall be located no less than 500 feet from any side or rear yard. The setback from the road right of way shall be as specified in Section 7.098.

(2) *Lot size.* Animal sanctuary facilities shall be located on lots containing not less than ten acres.

(3) *Vegetative buffer.* All animal sanctuaries shall meet the vegetative buffer requirements of Section 7.042.

PROPOSED TEXT:

s. 7.011(13)

“Animal rescue or sanctuary” means any facility where homeless, stray, abandoned, rescued or unwanted animals are received, harbored, fostered, maintained or made available for adoption to the general public and which is owned, operated, or maintained by a duly incorporated humane society, animal welfare society, society for the prevention of the cruelty to animals or other nonprofit or tax-exempt organization devoted to the welfare, protection or humane treatment of animals. This does not include the harboring of exotic species which have been bred in captivity or taken from the wild and tamed.

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(2) Animal Rescue or Sanctuary			C					C	C	7.077

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- (1) Permits. A copy of all state and federal permits shall be submitted to the Department and maintained as necessary.
- (2) *Setbacks*. All structures and enclosed outside areas utilized for housing animals shall be located no less than 200 feet from any property line. The setback from the road right of way shall be as specified in [Section 7.098](#).
- (3) *Vegetative buffer*. All animal sanctuaries shall meet the vegetative buffer requirements of [Section 7.042](#).
- (4) Waste. A waste disposal plan shall be submitted. Wastes from livestock animals shall be the only waste allowed to be land spread.
- (5) Escape. All outdoor runs shall be fenced to prevent animals from escaping.
- (6) Overnight care. All overnight care of animals must occur indoors.