

Township of Mantua, NJ

Gloucester County

Article II: Sale of Dogs and Cats From Pet Shops

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§ 120-19 **Definitions.**

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

ANIMAL CARE FACILITY

An animal control center or animal shelter, maintained by or under contract with any state, county, or municipality, whose mission and practice is, in whole or significant part, the rescue and placement of animals in permanent homes or rescue organizations.

ANIMAL RESCUE ORGANIZATION

Any not-for-profit organization which has tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Revenue Code, whose mission and practice is, in whole or in significant part, the rescue and placement of animals in permanent homes.

CAT

A member of the species of domestic cat, *Felis catus*.

DOG

A member of the species of domestic dog, *Canis familiaris*.

OFFER FOR SALE

To sell, offer for sale or adoption, advertise for the sale of, barter, auction, give away or otherwise dispose of a dog or cat.

PET SHOP

A retail establishment where dogs and cats are sold, exchanged, bartered or offered for sale as pet animals to the general public at retail. Such definition shall not include an animal care facility or animal rescue organization, as defined.

§ 120-20 **Restrictions on sale of animals.**

A.

A pet shop may offer for sale only those dogs and cats that the pet shop has obtained from or displayed in cooperation with:

(1)

An animal care facility; or

(2)

An animal rescue organization

B.

A pet shop shall not offer for sale a dog or cat that is younger than eight weeks old.