





## Presentation of Pets

### General Information for Exhibitors

Animal protection is very important in Germany and arouses great public interest. Legislation on animal protection is very strict and animals are not regarded as objects, but as fellow creatures that can feel pain and suffering.

Although Interzoo is an international exhibition, the German animal protection regulations also apply to exhibitors from abroad who wish to present live animals at the exhibition. In consultation with the responsible veterinary authorities, we have therefore prepared rules that must be observed for the presentation of live animals.

If such considerations are not applicable in your country, please appreciate the special situation in Germany. Compliance with these rules is in your own interest, as the veterinary authorities carry out checks and you must expect sanctions in the event of contravention. In addition to this, contravention of these rules would certainly also reduce your chances of success among the German visitors.

**While presenting live animals, the following instructions have to be observed:**

### Reptiles and amphibians

- Reptiles and amphibians may only be presented in terrariums having minimum dimensions of 0.30 m x 0.40 m x 0.30 m (species living on the ground) resp. 0.30 m x 0.30 m x 0.40 m (species living on trees).
- Appropriate stocking rates which are suitable for the animals have to be observed.
- Appropriate technical measures will have to assure that the climate is healthy for each kept species.
- If different animals are brought together in one terrarium, one has to observe that no unsociable animals and no animals requiring different climates are kept together.
- Each terrarium has to be equipped with the appropriate grounds, with possibilities to retreat and a water basin. Facilities for climbing and burrowing are to be offered according to species.
- Each terrarium has to be equipped with a thermometer and a hygrometer (exception: aqua-terrariums).
- Each terrarium has to be secured against unauthorised opening.
- **Compliance with the requirements concerning such presentations will be checked at the exhibition stand by the veterinary authorities and the organizer.**
- **At the same time inspection will be made by the competent species conservation authority. The original documents or a species list with CITES import numbers of the protected species must be submitted to the authority during inspection.**

### Invertebrates

- Each terrarium must show a minimum base of 20 cm x 20 cm and dispose of possibilities of aeration.
- Each terrarium has to be equipped with the appropriate grounds, with possibilities to retreat and a pan of water.
- Each terrarium has to be secured against unauthorised opening.
- **Compliance with the requirements concerning such presentations will be checked at the exhibition stand by the organizer.**
- **At the same time inspection will be made by the competent species conservation authority. The original documents or a species list with CITES import numbers of the protected species must be submitted to the authority during inspection.**

**The following types of terrariums in Germany are considered to be in default of the protection of animals and thus are not allowed to be filled with live animals:**

- **Small terrariums (less than 0.30 m x 0.40 m x 0.30 m resp. 0.30 m x 0.30 m x 0.40 m)**
- **Flat terrapin basins made of plastic**