

AVIAN CODE OF PRACTICE For The North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS) 2024

Rationale

This Code of Practice is a self-regulatory mechanism to mutually protect the interests of vendors, buyers, and the Parrot Society of Australia Inc. at a public sale event. It is the Parrot Society of Australia's policy for humanely displaying and/or selling birds in a professional manner becoming of a responsible aviculturist. Failure to comply with any aspect of this Code of Practice will result in the removal of a vendor and their birds from the North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS). This decision will remain solely with the North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS) Coordinator who has the full support of the 2024 Parrot Society of Australia's Management Committee.

Vendor Conduct

- All vendors are ambassadors for the hobby of aviculture and as such should act in a professional manner at all times that is appropriate for a public event.
- Vendors are expected to be truthful when disclosing a bird's age, gender, genetic background, breeding performance and relevant history to any prospective buyer.
- Vendors should not publicly make any negative comments about fellow vendors or their birds to prospective buyers.
- Vendors are required to clean up their own area at the end of the event.
- All birds in a vendor's possession for sale MUST belong to the vendor. Any vendor found selling birds on behalf of another person will be removed from the event without refund.

Bird Approval

- The Parrot Society of Australia Inc. reserves the right to have a recognised avian veterinarian inspect any or all birds at the venue to determine their suitability for sale.
- Veterinary advice will determine if any bird/s will be permitted for sale.
- Only birds in good health, full feather, and fully self-sufficient may be offered for sale.
- Unweaned birds or any bird that is not legally allowed to be produced and sold, will NOT be permitted under any circumstance.

Cages

- No 'all-wire' cages will be utilised by either vendors or buyers during the event.
- Wire cages can be modified and will only be acceptable when they have a top, bottom and three sides covered with a draft proof, solid material i.e., timber, metal, plastic or similar. Materials deemed not acceptable include cloth, cardboard/paper, and poly tarp.
- All cages are to be in a clean condition at all times, free of excess droppings and feathers etc.
- Any cages not required are to be removed from the premises and are to be disposed of by the vendor at the end of the event.
- Any cages deemed unsuitable for proper containment or the welfare of the birds will not be permitted.
- Vendors will be required to have fresh, clean water and adequate, appropriate food in the cage for the duration of the North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS).

Pets

All pets are banned from the North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS). Guide Dogs are exempt and permitted to enter all areas of the event.

Bird Presentation

- Single species are only permitted per cage i.e. no mixed specie lots.
- Birds must not be overcrowded when displayed or under stress from their cage mates.
- A maximum of 4 birds per cage applies unless approved during the vet checking process.
- Birds should have adequate room between their tail and the cage floor, their head and the top of the cage.
- All birds should be able to fully extend their wings and move freely within the cage confines.
- Birds should present a natural perch stance in their cage becoming of the species.
- At the discretion of the coordinator or avian vet, a vendor may be directed to change cages to better meet the bird's physical and/or psychological requirements. If necessary, birds will be rejected for sale in order for this to happen.

Point of Sale

- All birds MUST be exchanged in the changeover aviary provided. Your patience is required if the provided aviary is in use when you require it. Sale Stewards will be available to assist with bird changeovers if necessary.
 - The vendor will be held responsible up until the bird has been SAFELY transferred to the purchaser via the changeover aviary.
 - Should any bird escape, whoever is deemed by the Stewards to be in charge of the bird at the time of its escape will be responsible for any costs incurred by the Parrot Society of Australia Inc. or the venue's owner to retrieve or remove the bird from the building safely.
 - Should a vendor allow a bird to escape in the course of transferring birds outside the provided changeover aviary, the Parrot Society of Australia Inc. reserves the right to ban the vendor from any or all future bird sale events in its control.
 - Vendor entry into the North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS) is deemed to be an acceptance of this condition.
 - No birds are to be exchanged or sold outside of the venue including in the car park.
 - Upon transfer, birds are not to be confined to transport and or display cages for no period longer than a maximum of 24 hours. Vendors are required to instruct buyers if this understanding at the point of sale.
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Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage Protection - Selling Protected Native Fauna

Many Native Australian birds are required to be kept under permit. It is the vendor's responsibility to familiarise themselves with the status of the species they intend to sell. If in any doubt, contact the **Queensland Department of Environment, Science and Innovation (DESI)** well in advance of the North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS). As the Government continuously reviews regulations, licencing for native birds can change from time to time. Both the vendor and the buyer need to be sure they are up to date with all current regulations and are following the protocol of the DESI in accordance with their licence level. Failure to do so, could result in the seizure of a bird. Any person in possession of Protected Native Birds is required to produce their Recreational Wildlife License to authorised Officers of DESI on demand. All licensed birds that are sold at the venue shall have the correct Movement Advice completed. **It will be the vendor's responsibility to have this in order.** Buyers and sellers are to exchange details i.e. names, addresses, license numbers and any other relevant information as required by legislation. All licenses must be current at the date of the event. Licence Holders must have applicable documentation accessible. As the QLD licencing system no longer requires commercial wildlife licences for temporary bird sales, The Parrot Society of Australia has no responsibility for licencing obligations.

Movement Advice

When transferring ownership of bird(s):

Both the vendor and the buyer must be familiar with and adhere to all current laws and regulations that are applicable to the bird being sold. All licensed birds that are sold at the venue shall have the correct Movement Advice completed.

NOTE: If you're unsure about the legal requirements, please contact the Coordinator for information about Movement Advice and relative requirements.

I hereby agree to adhere to the terms and conditions of the *Avian Code of Practice for the North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS) 2024* and declare that all birds in my possession as a Vendor belong to me.

VENDOR

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Signature _____

Date _____

WITNESS

Name **Scott Hovelroud**

Coordinator

North Brisbane Bird Sale (NBBS) 2024

On behalf of the Parrot Society of Australia Inc.

Signature _____

Date _____