

Breeder's License Survey in Florida

	Main Points
Broward County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Covers any person engaged in sale, stud, or breeding of cats or dogs Requires permit from Division, good for 1 year Requires heightened record keeping Allows for random inspections Revocable permit if certain violations (such as cruelty)
Citrus County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yearly fee Mandatory spay/neuter of cats unless exemptions met (breeder, pedigree, medical, etc.)
Collier County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standards of care for animal related businesses and breeders, standards for proper animal husbandry Requires operational permit, requires records for animals housed Requires examinations and certificates for animals being sold (similar to state law)
Jacksonville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Covers pet shops and animal dealers (sale of more than 20 animals a year) Requires permit, won't be issued to individuals with certain animal related violations Permit allows random inspections Records of all transactions to Division Vet care standards for the animals Treats Hobby Breeders separately (may sell up to 20 animals a year) Hobby breeder requires permit and bi-annual inspection and establishes husbandry standards Excessive Unsterilized Animals code – Creates escalating permit for more than 5 unsterilized animals
Miami-Dade County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breeder, pet dealer, hobby breeder license Allows inspection of premises and records Revocable if not compliant with State law or county code
Palm Beach County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commercial breeder (>20) and hobby breeder (Up to 19) Regulates pet shops and pet dealers 1 year permit, inspections without notice No cat breeding unless pedigreed and registered No unsterilized animals without appropriate permit or exemption Operational and husbandry standards Provide records of transactions to Division
Pinellas County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulates Pet dealerships and hobby breeders Hobby breeder sells no more than 20 animals a year Initial inspection and annual inspection Regulates location of sales (no parking lots, etc.) Submit records of sales to Department
Sarasota County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hobby breeder means someone selling dogs or cats from premises in which they were bred or reared Regulates location of sales, health exams
Seminole County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breeder=any person that causes dogs or cats to produce Hobby breeder=1 litter per year Focus is on puppy mills No pet shop may offer dogs unless from animal shelter or rescue Doesn't provide much, no scheme for hobby breeders
Volusia County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need annual license to be hobby breeder Maximum number of adult animals at any time Facility and husbandry standards for hobby breeders Condition of license to allow inspection Mandatory spay and neuter unless unaltered animal permit or exemption (Pedigree, medical, breeder, etc.) Unaltered animal permit comes with microchip, notification of change in ownership