

ORDINANCE NO. ____

**ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 6.04.130 AND AMENDING SECTION 6.24.030
OF THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY CODE REGARDING ESTABLISHING
BIOMEDICAL LIVESTOCK ANIMAL TREATMENT STANDARDS**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz ordains as follows:

SECTION I

Section 6.04.130 of the Santa Cruz County Code entitled is hereby added to read as follows:

6.04.130 Biomedical livestock animal treatment standards.

a. The following provisions shall apply to those animals used in a biomedical livestock operation issued a development permit pursuant to Section 13.10.647 of this Code:

1. No person shall use any procedure for animal care or treatment unless it is consistent with the most recently enacted or published provisions of the Federal Animal Welfare Act, the National Research Council’s “Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals”, and the American Veterinary Medical Association Euthanasia Guidelines. In the event of a conflict between these standards concerning the method of euthanasia to be applied, the standards contained in the American Veterinary Medical Association Euthanasia Guidelines shall prevail.

2. No person shall perform a dehorning, disbudding or castration on an animal without the use of local or general anesthetic.

3. Notwithstanding the standards established by subsection (a)(1), euthanasia shall be performed by either a licensed veterinarian, a registered veterinary technician, or a Euthanasia Technician trained and certified as prescribed by the State Humane Association of California..

SECTION II

Section 6.24.030 of the Santa Cruz County Code entitled Director Of Animal Control Services - Inspection authority is hereby amended to read as follows:

The Director of Animal Control Services and his or her designated deputies are empowered to inspect and take necessary actions:

- a. To stop all practices that cause animal torment or torture, or practices of cruelty on any animal, as such terms are defined in Section 599b of the California Penal Code. To ensure that minimum standards for animal housing and care are being provided, pet shops and kennels shall also be inspected and licensed. Subject to board of supervisors approval, the Director of Animal Control Services shall have the authority to promulgate regulations to enforce this section.
- b. To ensure compliance with the biomedical livestock animal treatment standards set forth in Section 6.04.130 of this code.

SECTION III

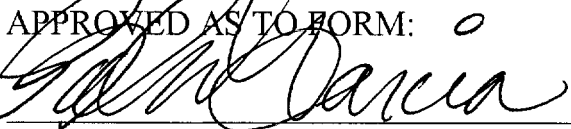
This ordinance shall take effect on the 3 1st day after the date of final passage

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 1998, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS
 NOES: SUPERVISORS
 ABSENT: SUPERVISORS
 ABSTAIN: SUPERVISORS

 Chairperson of the
 Board of Supervisors

Attest: _____
 Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


 RAHN GARCIA
 Assistant County Counsel