



## Code of Practice for all Club Bird Sales

*This code applies to all avicultural species.*

The Organising Committee will provide Stewards who are familiar with this code. Stewards have the right to refuse any bird and/or person/s in breach of this code.

Bird Sales are open to all members of the public, and to those Gold Coast Aviary Bird Association members only wishing to sell birds.

Bird Sales are for birds, associated avicultural supplies and equipment. Any other items will require prior approval from the Organising Committee.

Vendors will be asked to vacate the Sale Venue prior to commencement of the Sale, during which time the Stewards will inspect all birds, their cages, and food and water supplies. Any vendor not complying with this code will be given the opportunity to comply. Inability or failure to do so will see the vendor asked to leave the Venue.

### Birds

Only healthy birds, fully feathered and weaned, will be accepted for sale. Unfledged juvenile birds are not to be offered for sale. Birds brought into the Sale Venue for the purpose of maintaining a feeding schedule are not to be displayed. No hybrids will be permitted to be put on sale. Birds offered for sale are required to have clean water and adequate seed and/or other appropriate food during the time of the Sale. If the vendor does not provide this, the birds must be removed from sale immediately. Water and seed containers, where the birds are mainly on the bottom of the cage, will be placed on a higher level to prevent spoiling.

No birds to be exchanged or sold outside of the Venue including in the Venue car park.

Birds will not be shown as 'free' or 'tethered' on any stand or the like. This part does not restrict any person or their bird/s from being displayed or performing with the authority of the Organising Committee.

Only compatible species are to be placed into the one cage. Birds must not be overcrowded, or under stress from cage mates. At their discretion, Stewards may direct caging be changed to meet the birds physical and psychological requirements. If necessary, birds will be removed from the sale to do this.

All animals, including dogs, are banned from Bird Sale Venues, with the exception of Service/Guide dogs. Banned also are any 'free' bird, shoulder-borne, tethered or otherwise, apart from those authorised by the Organising Committee.

### Cages

All-wire cages are not acceptable. Cages must have solid sides, top and bottom, with a mesh or wire front. Other cages can be modified by enclosing all sides and the top with a light and draft proof material, such as wood, ply, heavy cloth etc. but not any plastic-type material as this will create a heat and ventilation problem and affect the welfare of the bird/s.

Cages should be clean and free from rust.

### Transfer of Birds

The Changeover Aviary provided will be used where practical, for all exchanges or demonstrations of the ease of handling of birds. Should a bird escape, the vendor will be held responsible up until the bird has been safely transferred to the purchaser via the Changeover Aviary.

Vendors should provide the buyer with guidelines on the basic care necessary for the particular species of bird. Buyers of birds should provide or make provision for appropriate transport containers for the birds they buy. Any cage deemed to be unsuitable for the proper containment and housing for the welfare of the bird, including overcrowding due to the size of the cage, will not be admitted at the discretion of the Stewards.

*In the event of a disagreement in relation to the application of these rules, a decision will be made in the first instance by the President or Secretary of the Association on how the matter will be remedied.*



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In signing this form, you, the vendor, declare that you understand and agree to abide by the rules outlined in the 'Code of Practice for all Club Bird Sales'

**Name**

**Address**

  

**Phone**

**Signed**

**Date**

*Please return this form to the Sales Steward:*

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