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The information below is meant to guide and encourage professional safety standards when working with animals in student films.

**Please Note:** Student films featuring animals on set require special approval from the course instructor and production advisor. They may require an additional free [Animal Exhibit Permit](#) from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. To find out if an animal will need a permit, take a look at NYC.gov's [Article 161 for guidance.](#)

If you need assistance, please email [production.office@nyu.edu](mailto:production.office@nyu.edu)

## Guidelines for Working with Animals on Set

Although these guidelines apply to owners, the director is ultimately responsible for the well-being of any animal (or person) on set. For safety reasons, please be aware that the American Humane Association discourages the use of any animal in lieu of a professionally trained animal that is acclimated to work on a film set.

**This information has been obtained from the American Humane Association (AHA). View the [AHA's Complete guidelines](#) (including tips on working with all species of animals, and visit the [American Humane Association Website](#) for more information.**

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