

WHAT TO KNOW WHEN BUYING A PET

When buying a pet, it's important to make sure the pet is healthy and free from potentially life-threatening illnesses. Purchase pets only from a reputable breeder, or a rescue or shelter organization. Avoid pets being imported and sold for profit or from a large volume commercial breeder (i.e. a puppy mill). Prospective pet owners should be aware of these red flags when buying a pet:



Being asked to meet at a site other than where the animal is being raised, such as a parking lot.



If purchasing from a breeder, not being able to meet the pet's parents and having no information about them.



Receiving unclear answers to your specific questions.



A seller (excluding shelters and rescues) has many different breeds available and/or animals are immediately available.



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