

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO EXHIBITION OF EXOTIC ANIMALS IN
CIRCUSES AND EXHIBITION OF CETACEANS IN NEW
SOUTH WALES**

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I am writing to oppose the use of animals for entertainment in circuses, racing and water exhibits. My reasons are:

- 1) the animals can not display natural behaviour
- 2) they are kept in confined spaces
- 3) they are often removed from the wild as babies from their parents, whom are often killed
- 4) it is cruel to make animals perform for food. Often this is their driving motivator to perform, as they are hungry. Some animals may even be beaten to perform. Eg racehorses
- 5) we are not showing kids a respectful way to treat animals.
- 6) Animals are their own beings, not their for our entertainment.
- 7) where animals are used for profit, and used like property, when they are no longer profitable, they are disposed of. E.g. racehorses