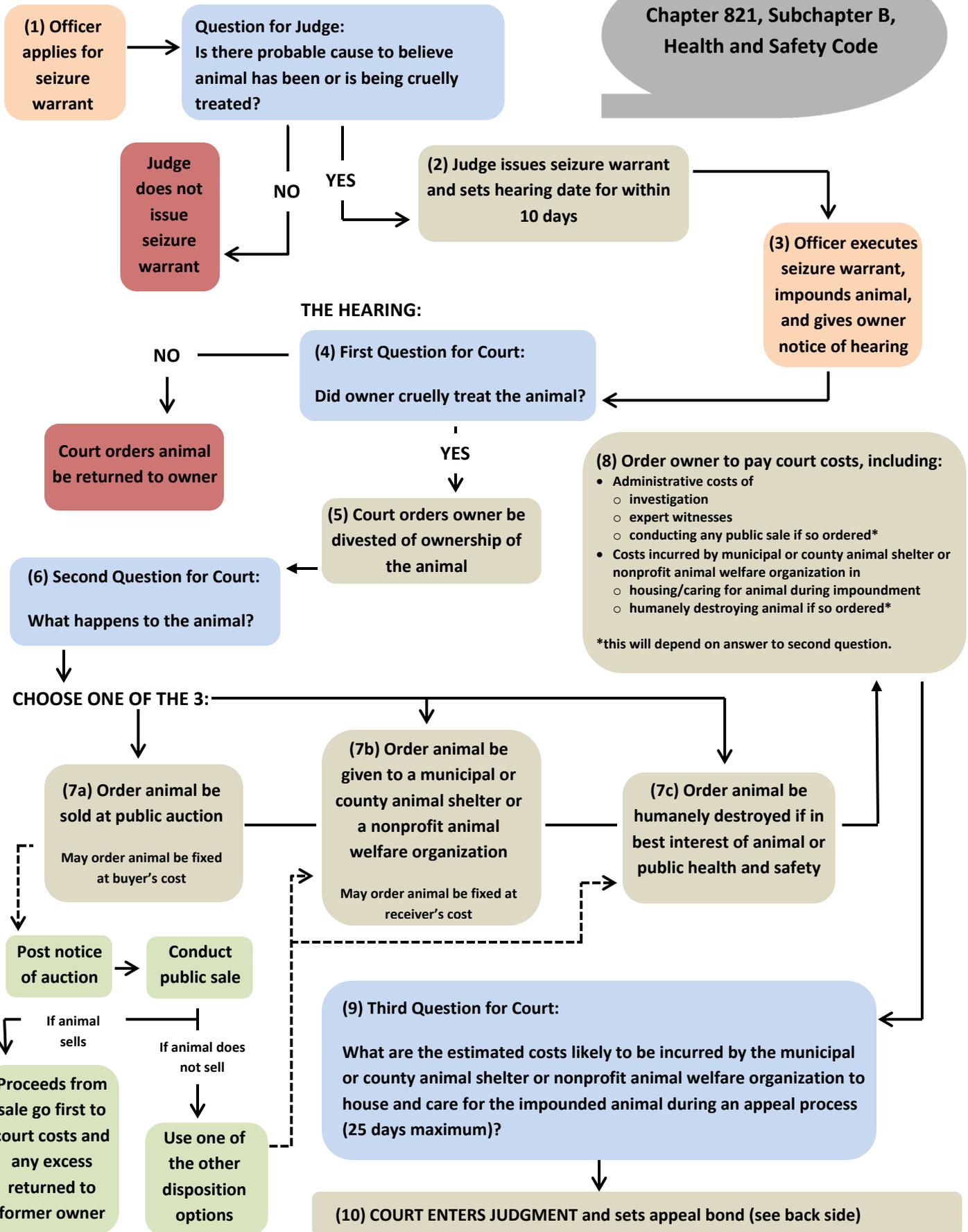


Cruelly-Treated Animal Hearing Process

BEGINNING THE PROCESS:

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(10) COURT ENTERS JUDGMENT AND SETS AMOUNT OF APPEAL BOND

(11) Fourth Question for Court: How much should appeal bond be?

Set the amount of the appeal bond equal to the sum of:

- (a) the amount of the court costs ordered under step 8; and
- (b) the amount of the estimated costs determined under step 9

**Court may not require a bond in an amount greater than or in addition to this amount*

THE APPEAL:

Owner makes decision whether to appeal

Does owner appeal?

NO

YES

Court shall move forward with ordered disposition from step 7

(12) Owner has 10 calendar days to appeal and file cash or surety bond in set amount

(13) Court then has 5 calendar days to deliver clerk's record to county court or county court at law

(14) County court then has 10 calendar days to consider the appeal

*Appeal is de novo
*Appellant is entitled to jury trial on request

County court decision is FINAL

If owner appeals, animal may not be sold, given away, or destroyed unless necessary to prevent undue pain or suffering during pendency of appeal

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