Claims

1. An apparatus for covering a feeding aperture of an animal shelter, which feeding aperture comprises an upper edge and a lower edge, which apparatus comprises at least one first curtain which includes a first edge from which it can be fastened to the upper edge of the feeding aperture or above it, and a second edge which is dimensioned to extend at least close to the lower edge of the feeding aperture when the curtain is hanging freely and a turning mechanism for moving the second edge of the curtain in the first direction towards the interior of the animal shelter and in the second direction away from the interior of the animal shelter.

2. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said turning mechanism comprises at least one swinging arm with a first end and a second end, which swinging arm can be arranged to the upper edge of the feeding aperture rotatable about its first end and the second end of which comprises a support member supporting the second edge of the first curtain in transverse direction in relation to the longitudinal direction of the swinging arm.

3. The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said support member is a slot with a mouth that opens substantially towards the first edge of the first curtain and in which slot the second edge of the first curtain has been adapted to hang freely.

4. The apparatus according to claim 2, comprising a shaft, onto which shaft he swinging arms have been fastened from their first end, and support elements for suspending the shaft onto the upper edge of the feeding aperture.

5. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the second edge of said first curtain comprises an elongated edge stiffening.

6. The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the second edge of said first curtain comprises an edge cavity extending substantially along the second

edge, and said edge stiffening is a tube or a bar, which has been adapted to said edge cavity.

7. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in the area between the first edge and the second edge of the first curtain there is at least one intermediate stiffening.

8. The apparatus according to claim 7, wherein in the area between the first edge and the second edge of the first curtain there is at least one intermediate cavity, and said intermediate stiffening is a tube or a bar, which has been adapted to said intermediate cavity.

9. The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said first curtain has been fastened to the swinging arm from one fastening point, which is at a distance from the first edge of the first curtain, and the first curtain comprises a fold in the area between said fastening point and the first edge.

10. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first curtain is permeable to light.

11. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first curtain is permeable to air, preferably a net-like element.

12. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the second edge of said first curtain is dimensioned to take its position at least for the most of its length against the lower edge of the feeding aperture.

13. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a second curtain, which second curtain comprises a first edge, at which it can be fastened to the upper edge of the feeding aperture, and a second edge which is dimensioned to extend at least close to the lower edge of the feeding aperture when the curtain is hanging freely.

14. The apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said first curtain and second curtain have substantially different light- and air-permeability properties.

15. The apparatus according to claim, wherein said first curtain and second curtain are movable partly or completely away from the feeding aperture.

16. An animal shelter comprising a feeding aperture, which feeding aperture comprises an upper edge and a lower edge, at least one first curtain which includes a first edge from which it is fastened to the upper edge of the feeding aperture or above it, and a second edge which extends at least close to the lower edge of the feeding aperture when the first curtain is hanging freely and a turning mechanism for moving the second edge of the curtain in the first direction towards the interior of the animal shelter and in the second direction away from the interior of the animal shelter.