



Inspection Report

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2.40(b)(2) **Direct** **Repeat**

Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care (dealers and exhibitors).

Female Bernese mountain dog (tattoo #136, microchip #712451) is observed licking a bleeding wound on the abdomen in between the mammary glands. A large amount of blood was seen coming from a wound approximately 0.5 inches in length from what appeared to be an incision. Adjacent to the wound were skin sutures and the records indicated that the dog recently had a surgical artificial insemination performed by the attending veterinarian. The inspectors observed blood on the floor of the enclosure. Wounds can become infected and can cause stress, pain, or discomfort to the regulated animal. Additionally, there is a heavy buildup of a hard, thick, brown material encasing 50-80% of most of the teeth on both sides of the mouth. The gums are swollen and red. Heavy buildup on the teeth as well as gum recession, redness and swelling can be signs of dental problems. The wound on the dog's abdomen and the teeth have not been noted by the facility staff prior to the inspection and no treatment was being provided or has been planned.

Female poodle mix (tattoo #114, microchip #) is observed to be intermittently limping and non-weight bearing on the right front leg. A wound on the underside of the right front leg near the elbow was found along with dried and fresh blood and the area around the wound is swollen. Wounds can become infected and can cause stress, pain, or discomfort to the regulated animal. The wound on the dog's leg had not been noted by the facility staff prior to the inspection and no treatment was being provided or has been planned.

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A female Boston Terrier dog (tattoo #13) has redness of the left eye and is squinting. There is a cloudy area covering a portion of the upper half of the left eye and the eyelids are red. The current condition of the eye had not been noticed and no treatment is being provided or has been planned. Redness and squinting of the eye can be a sign of injury, infection, irritation, or allergy. Dogs with eye issues can experience pain, discomfort, stress, and even blindness. Additionally, there is a heavy buildup of a hard, thick, brown material encasing 50-80% of most of the teeth on both sides of the mouth. The gums are swollen and red. Heavy buildup on the teeth with redness and swelling can be signs of dental problems. The current condition of the eye and teeth had not been noticed and no treatment is being provided or has been planned.

An Australian shepherd dog (tattoo #2) is observed by the inspectors to be limping as it walked around the enclosure. Closer examination of the dog revealed two wounds on the left front leg. The larger wound is located higher up on the front left leg and both wounds contained blood that had adhered to the coat. Wounds can become infected and can cause stress, pain, or discomfort to the regulated animal. The wounds on the left front leg had not been noted by the facility staff prior to the inspection and no treatment was being provided or has been planned.

Female poodle mix (tattoo #31, microchip #2777952) has redness of the right eye with green, thick, mucus-like and dried, crusty discharge. The dried crusty discharge covered the inside corner of the eye and the eyelids, forming matts. Redness and discharge from the eye can be a sign of infection, irritation, or allergy. Dogs with eye issues can experience pain, discomfort, stress, and even blindness. Additionally, there is a heavy buildup of a hard, thick, brown material encasing 50-80% of most of the teeth on both sides of the mouth. The gums are swollen and red. Heavy buildup on the teeth as well as gum recession, redness and swelling can be signs of dental problems. The current condition of the eye and teeth had not been noticed and no treatment is being provided or has been planned.

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Female bulldog (tattoo #56, microchip #892618) has redness of both eyes with green, thick, mucus-like and dried, crusty discharge. Additionally, there is an interdigital hairless swelling on the left front leg. The swelling on the left front leg has two areas where a small amount of fluid was draining out and has formed crusts. The current condition of the animal's eyes and paws had not been noticed and no treatment is being provided or has been planned. Redness and discharge from the eyes can be a sign of infection, irritation, or allergy. Dogs with eye issues can experience pain, discomfort, stress, and even blindness. Swellings on the paws can cause pain and distress to the regulated animal.

Female French bulldog (tattoo #17, microchip #3713840) has an abrasion on the inside the left ear. The abrasion was oval shaped, approximately 0.5 inches in length, and had thick, mucus-like and dried, crusty discharge along the edges. The current condition of the animal's ear had not been noticed and no treatment is being provided or has been planned. An abrasion with discharge on the ears can be a sign of injury, infection, irritation, or allergy and can cause pain and distress to the regulated animal.

Female Bulldog (tattoo #36, microchip #7E10334735) has an interdigital hairless swelling on the right back leg. The swelling on the right back leg was reddened and appeared it was about to burst. The current condition of the animal's paw had not been noticed and no treatment is being provided or has been planned. Swellings on the paws can cause pain and distress to the regulated animal.

Male Swoodle (tattoo #5, microchip #2448013) has an area on the back of the neck that contained dry crusty discharge. The area covered a large portion of the back of the neck and contained matts along the edges. The dog had received treatment on February 14-16, 2023 for fight wounds. The attending veterinarian visited the facility on March 01, 2023 to

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examine individual dogs, but the licensee did not have this animal's condition rechecked.

Wounds with discharge left unchecked can cause pain and distress to the regulated animal. Additionally, there was heavy buildup of a hard, thick, brown material encasing 50-80% of most of the teeth on both sides of the mouth. Heavy buildup on the teeth can be signs of dental problems.

Female poodle mix (tattoo #45, microchip #2777488) has a heavy buildup of a hard, thick, brown material encasing 50-80% of most of the teeth on both sides of the mouth. The gums are swollen and red. Heavy buildup on the teeth with redness and swelling can be signs of dental problems. The current condition of the teeth had not been noticed and no treatment is being provided or has been planned.

Male Wheaton terrier dog (tattoo #5) has a large matt on the back. The matt was firm, movable, and had a section at the back end that contained crusty dark discharge. Records indicated that the cause of the matt was a mass with the last treatment taking place on February 16, 2023 but the attending veterinarian had not rechecked the condition. Masses left unchecked can cause pain and distress to the regulated animal. Additionally, there is extremely heavy buildup of a hard, thick, brown/gray material encasing 50-80% of most of the teeth on both sides of the mouth. The gums are receding and are swollen and red. Heavy buildup on the teeth with gum recession, redness and swelling can be signs of severe dental problems. The current condition of the teeth had not been noticed and no treatment is being provided or has been planned.

Female Bulldog (tattoo #40, microchip #712218) has an area of hair loss and discharge on the underside of the neck. The area contains dried, crusty green/yellow discharge and there is associated hair loss. The dog was treated from January 13-20, 2023 with cephalexin but when the attending veterinarian was on premises on March 1, 2023 there was no

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recheck performed. A facility representative stated they recently treated the condition with Ivomec but did not document it.

The licensee is required to use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries in the regulated animals. The licensee is required to have the above mentioned animals evaluated by a veterinarian for an accurate diagnosis and to develop an effective treatment plan. The licensee must ensure each animal receives adequate veterinary care at all times.

The following dogs have matted hair coats:

* Female Pomsky (tattoo #5, microchip #893156) has a severely matted hair coat along the top of her back and behind both shoulders. The hair has become matted into thick clumps which are tight against the skin.

* Female Pomsky (tattoo #9, microchip #982224) has a severely matted hair coat along both sides of the body from the shoulders to the rump. The hair is matted into thick, firm clumps which are tight against the skin.

* Female Wheaton (tattoo #147, microchip 3568183) has a heavily matted hair coat. The inspectors were unable to physically examine the dog due to its behavior, but were able to observe the matted hair is located across the top of the dog's head and throughout its entire hair coat.

* Male Wheaton (tattoo #5) has a large, matted section of hair located at the top of the back near the left hip. Trapped within the matted hair is a dark colored crusty material. The facility representative stated that the dog had recently had a medical condition beneath the matted hair that had been exuding a discharge.

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* Female Cocker Spaniel (tattoo #11, microchip #1389898) has a matted hair coat. The dog had been treated for a wound and the hair surrounding the area is matted into tight clumps and the hair beneath the tail has dried fecal material attached to it.

Matted hair and material trapped within the hair could cause pain and discomfort to the animal, as well as lead to further health issues.

Each dealer shall use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose and treat diseases and injuries. The licensee must have the matted hair and material removed from the hair coats of these affected dogs. The licensee must ensure that the hair coat of each dog remains clean and free of matted hair at all times in order to support the health and well-being of the animals.

3.13(b)(2) Repeat

Veterinary care for dogs.

During the inspection at least 5 dogs were identified with matted hair coats and 5 dogs were identified with poor dental health. The facility's Program of Veterinary Care states that the animals will have their hair coats sheared biannually (every 6 months) and teeth are cleaned at that time. In addition, non-sheared breeds will have their teeth cleaned as needed. The licensee was unable to produce any medical records that indicate the last time the dogs had received hair coat grooming or dental care.

The facility representative stated that bulldog (tattoo #40) had recently been treated with Ivomec for a skin condition, but the medical record documenting this treatment could not be found.

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Failure to keep medical records may interfere with the ability of APHIS officials to determine if the animals are receiving adequate veterinary care.

Dealers must keep copies of medical records that include the problem identified and the treatment procedure performed. The licensee must ensure that all procedures and treatments performed on the dogs including grooming, dental care, and any medical products that are given are documented on a complete medical record containing all required information.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000718	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
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