

### United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

**DMERSEREAU** INS-0000877763

### **Inspection Report**

Customer ID: 6012245 Gorilla Backs Kennel, LLC 2844 Springs Lake Rd.

Lake Wales. FL 33898

Certificate: 58-A-0370

Site: 002

Gorilla Back Kennels, LLC

Type: NEW SITE INSPECTION

Date: 27-JUN-2023

#### 2.50(a)(1)

#### Time and method of identification.

The licensee does not have any form of identification on the adult dogs in the facility. Proper identification is essential to ensure that each dog can be properly identified and to facilitate proper record keeping.

The licensee must obtain and provide each animal with an official form of identification at all times and to facilitate record keeping requirements.

#### 2.126(a)(2)

### Access and inspection of records and property; submission of itineraries.

At the time of inspection, the Exercise Plan for Dogs, Acquisitions/ Dispositions, Inventory on Hand, and Contingency plan were not available for review by the inspector. The review of records required by the Animal Welfare Act facilitates the inspection process by allowing the inspector to determine compliance and evaluate animal welfare. The facility must ensure that all records are available upon request during the inspection process.

#### 3.6(c)(1)(i)

### Primary enclosures.

The applicant had two dogs singly housed indoors in kennels that did not meet the required minimum amount of floor space. The kennels measured 5.75 square feet.

- 1. A female pit, no ID, measured 26" inches long from the nose to the tail base. Thus, requiring 7.1 square feet of floor
- 2. A male pit, no ID, measured 23.5 inches long. Thus, requiring 6 square feet of floor space.

Failure to meet the required minimum amount of floor space can lead to unnecessary animal discomfort and distress. Each dog must be housed in a primary enclosure meeting the minimum amount of floor space as calculated by taking the square sum of the length of the dog in inches plus 6 inches then divide the product by 144. The applicant must ensure that primary enclosures used to house dogs meet the required minimum amount of floor space.

This inspection was a site approval inspection.

This site is not ready for approval to conduct activity covered under your current Animal Welfare Act License.

Prepared By: DAVID MERSEREAU Date:

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

**OFFICER** 

Received by Title: Facility Representative Date:

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Conducting regulated activities at a non-approved site	e is a	violation c	of the Animal	Welfare Act.
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Please contact your inspector to schedule your next new site approval inspection.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
6012245	58-A-0370	002	Gorilla Back Kennels, LLC	27-JUN-2023

CountScientific NameCommon Name000004Canis familiarisDOG ADULT

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