



Inspection Report

Barb Troyer
32216 CR 92
Walhonding, OH 43843

Customer ID: **6013098**
Certificate: **31-A-0981**
Site: 001
Barb Troyer

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 30-OCT-2023

2.40(b)(1)

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

The licensee is not using appropriate equipment while vaccinating dogs at the facility. The licensee reports using one needle and syringe combination multiple times among individual dogs, dipping the needle into rubbing alcohol to clean it between injections. The APHIS official discussed this practice with the veterinarian and that is not a protocol that the veterinarian has recommended or endorses. Using a needle and syringe multiple times is problematic because it can greatly dull the needle, thus resulting in more tissue damage at insertion. Additionally, the risk of bacteria contaminating a tank of vaccines or being injected into the tissue of a dog is markedly increased. This kind of contamination can lead to abscess formation under the skin of a dog, which is a painful process that requires medical treatment. The facility needs to ensure they are using the appropriate equipment (in this case a clean needle and syringe with each vaccine on each dog) while administering preventative care to the dogs. Correct from October 30, 2023, onward.

2.40(b)(2) Critical

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

The licensee did not follow the recommendations of the veterinarian regarding the care of a female Pomeranian named "Krackers". "Krackers" whelped a litter of seven puppies on October 8, 2023. The licensee reports she had hard mammary glands shortly thereafter and was not producing milk. The licensee called the veterinarian, and an examination of the dog was recommended. The licensee did not have an examination for "Krackers" performed.

Hard mammary glands and decreased milk production may be signs of mammary infection or inflammation. This is a painful disorder and sometimes the mother will not allow the puppies to nurse due to pain. If the mother will not allow puppies to nurse, they can become malnourished or starve. The cage card for this litter states 6 of the 7 puppies died within 3 days of birth.

When the licensee recognizes an abnormal medical condition, a prompt assessment of the animal needs to be made so that pain and suffering can be minimized. This begins by following the recommendations of the veterinarian so that the correct steps can be taken to appropriately diagnose, treat, control, or prevent diseases or injuries. Correct by ensuring that the Program of Vet Care and recommendations from the veterinarian are followed for guidance on the well-being and care of the dogs at the facility. Correct from October 30, 2023, onward.

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2.75(a)(1)

Records: Dealers and exhibitors.

The licensee is not generating complete records of animal disposition.

- The records of disposition (APHIS Form 7006) do not include the vehicle license number and State, and/or the driver's license number (or photographic identification card for non-drivers issued by a State) and State of the buyer, if he or she is not licensed or registered under the Act.
- Full addresses for intermediate transporters and their respective USDA registration numbers are not consistently being included on the records of disposition.
- The date of disposition is not consistently being included on records of disposition.
- The designation of "sale", "exchange or transfer", and "donation" are not consistently being included on the records of disposition.

Failure to include all the required disposition information may not allow APHIS officials to properly track the movement and care of animals covered by the Animal Welfare Act.

Each dealer shall make, keep, and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose the information concerning each dog purchased or otherwise acquired, owned, held, or otherwise in his or her possession or under his or her control, or which is transported, euthanized, sold, or otherwise disposed of by that dealer. The licensee must ensure that records are complete and correctly disclose the required information. Correct from October 30, 2023, onward.

3.13(b)(2)

Veterinary care for dogs.

The licensee did not create and maintain a medical record for a female Pomeranian, "Krackers", after whelping. The licensee states that the dog had hard mammary glands and only a little milk shortly after whelping. The licensee started the dog on an antibiotic but does not remember which antibiotic or from where the antibiotic came.

Failure to maintain medical records regarding health conditions of the animals and treatments given does not allow APHIS officials to determine if adequate veterinary care was provided. If a problem is identified (such as a disease, injury, or illness), the date and description of the problem, examination findings, test results, plan for treatment and care, and treatment procedures performed must be documented. Correct by documenting all health conditions and treatments given to ensure that medical records are complete. Correct from October 30, 2023, onward.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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Species Inspected

| Cust No | Cert No | Site | Site Name | Inspection |
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| Count | Scientific Name | Common Name |
|--------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 000015 | <i>Canis familiaris</i> | DOG ADULT |
| 000026 | <i>Canis familiaris</i> | DOG PUPPY |
| 000041 | Total | |