



### Inspection Report

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Customer ID: **6013074**  
Certificate: **33-A-0617**  
Site: 001  
Sam Gingerich

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 14-AUG-2024

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#### 2.40(b)(2)

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

There is a cocker spaniel (M) 'Teacher Dan' that has a moderate/large buildup of brown tartar on both sides of his mouth, upper and lower jaws. The attending veterinarian documented the need for the dog to have a dental at the last yearly physical in December 2023; The licensee has not scheduled a dental for this dog.

The lack of timely dental care can cause unnecessary pain or discomfort to the regulated animal or a treatable issue to become chronic or more serious in a short period of time.

The licensee must use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries, and the availability of emergency, weekend, and holiday care for the regulated animals.

To be corrected by: September 14, 2024

#### 2.50(a)(1)

##### Time and method of identification.

There were 7 of 11 dogs in the kennel that did not have a USDA tag. Some of the dogs had just a plain collar with no USDA tag or no collar at all.

USDA tags are necessary for proper ID and traceability of the regulated animals at the facility.

All live dogs and cats held on the premises, purchased, or otherwise acquired, sold or otherwise disposed of, or removed from the premises for delivery to a research facility or exhibitor or to another dealer, or for sale, through an auction sale or to any person for use as a pet, shall be identified by an official tag of the type described in § 2.51 affixed to the animal's neck by means of a collar made of material generally considered acceptable to pet owners as a means of identifying their pet dogs or cats, or shall be identified by a distinctive and legible tattoo marking acceptable to and approved by the Administrator.

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#### 2.50(a)(2)

##### Time and method of identification.

There were two enclosures with golden retriever puppies housed without the female that did not have any ID numbers on the puppy record, no collars or identifying marks, and two litters(cocker spaniels) with the females that had less puppies than what was listed on the record(puppy card). One litter showed 7 puppies on the card, however only 5 puppies were in the enclosure, the other litter showed 4 puppies on the card, however only 3 puppies were in with the enclosure.

Complete and accurate records including regulated animal ID numbers (for puppies housed without the female), description, sex and dates of sale or death are necessary for proper management and traceability of the animals.

Live puppies or kittens, less than 16 weeks of age, shall be identified by:

- (a)(2)(i) An official tag as described in § 2.51;
- (a)(2)(ii) A distinctive and legible tattoo marking approved by the Administrator; or
- (a)(2)(iii) A plastic-type collar acceptable to the Administrator which has legibly placed thereon the information required for an official tag pursuant to Sec. 2.51.

It is acceptable to have a cage card attached to the enclosure that identifies the puppies with the female and to include their ID numbers once they are separate from the female until 16 weeks of age.

To be corrected by: August 26, 2024

#### 3.1(f)

##### Housing facilities, general.

There was a large bin(approx. 2ft.3ft) in the kennel that was full to the top with soiled urine soaked shavings and feces that was removed after cleaning the primary enclosures. The waste material was sitting within 12 inches of the open food bins and within a few feet of the enclosures containing 7 puppies. This waste material caused a very strong odor of ammonia throughout the kennel and was the drawing source for hundreds of flies that covered the walls and had contact with the regulated animals, food, water and wall surfaces. There was an open garbage can with no lid next to the puppies and open bucket of soiled shavings that also drew flies into the kennel.

The accumulation of waste products(urine soaked shavings/feces) that are in open bins or garbage cans can be a source of strong ammonia fumes that can draw flies and other vermin into and around the facility. The fumes can be a source of discomfort and possible health issues for the regulated animals that have to breathe them in continuously, especially those that can not get away from the area to go outside. The accumulation of waste products can cause flies/vermin to be drawn to the regulated animals food, water and bodies which can cause possible health issues for the animals.

Housing facility operators must provide for regular and frequent collection, removal, and disposal of animal and food wastes, bedding, debris, garbage, water, other fluids and wastes, and dead animals, in a manner that minimizes contamination and disease risks.

To be corrected by: The waste material was removed after the inspection

#### 3.10(a)

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### Watering

There was an enclosure containing three golden retriever puppies over 8 weeks of age that did not have water available, both small water buckets were upside down and empty. Water was provided during the inspection and all three puppies climbed on top of each other trying to get water at the same time. The puppies all tried to drink out of the small bucket for 1-2 minutes of continual drinking until the bucket was emptied. A second small bucket of water was put in the enclosure and two puppies were observed to continue to drink continually for 1-2 more minutes after pushing their snouts into the water bucket at the same time trying to satisfy thier thirst. The dogs are given water twice a day, however for the puppies they may require water more often and/or a way to secure the water buckets so they dont get tipped over during the day or night.

The lack of potable water made availalbe to the regulated animals can cause potential health issues or heat stress if they can not keep hydrated in hot temperatures.

Potable water must be continuously available to the dogs, unless restricted by the attending veterinarian or excepted as provided in § 3.17(a).

To be corrected by: Water was provided during the inspection

### 3.11(d)

#### Cleaning, sanitization, housekeeping, and pest control.

There were hundreds of flies outside the run areas and inside of the facility with the primary enclosures that housed the dogs. There was a fly capture container outside that was 3 inches thick with flies that would not allow for the current fly population to be captured. There was one ineffective fly tape inside the facility that was too full and/or not sticky enough to collect more flies. The flies were all over the walls, windows and all surfaces within the kennel. Flies were found in the open food storage bin and in the water bucket of one of the dogs. The flies were drawn to the area due to an uncovered bin of soiled waste material kept inside the kennel after cleaning.

The presence of a large amount of flies can be a potential health hazard for the regulated animals that can not get away from them. The presence of flies can cause contamination to the food and water of the animals at the facility. There needs to be enough fly deterrent to prevent the accumulation of flies, this requires changing of full fly capture containers and fly tape replacement as it gets full or is not working.

An effective program for the control of insects, external parasites affecting dogs and cats, and birds and mammals that are pests, must be established and maintained so as to promote the health and well-being of the animals and reduce contamination by pests in animal areas.

To be corrected by: August 18, 2024

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representative. An additional exit interview was conducted with the licensee.

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
6013074	33-A-0617	001	Sam Gingerich	14-AUG-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000011	<i>Canis familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000012	<i>Canis familiaris</i>	DOG PUPPY
000023	<b>Total</b>	