



Inspection Report

HEATH MEYERS
22928 270TH STREET
GRUNDY CENTER, IA 50638

Customer ID: **5625**
Certificate: **42-A-1672**
Site: 001
HEATH MEYERS

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 01-MAR-2023

2.40(b)(2) Direct

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

The facility has not identified 3 adult dogs with medical issues at the time of inspection.

*King Charles Spaniel (microchip #7E1-007-1171) had matted ears and was in poor dental health. The left upper cheek teeth are completely encased in a hard, light brown organic buildup. The three teeth directly behind the canine tooth have a layer of grey organic material at the gumline. The gums above these three teeth is also receded. Both ears had matted hair present that was close to the skin. The inspector could not observe the underlying skin. Matted hair and poor dental health may cause discomfort, pain and distress.

*Red Poodle (microchip #941000022878551) was observed by inspectors frequently shaking his head. When examined by the inspectors, both ear canals had a buildup of dark brown organic material and hair so much that the ear canal could not be observed. The facility representative was unaware of this dog's ear condition. This dog had last had its ears cleaned on 29-September-2022. Ears with a buildup of organic matter may be a sign of illness and cause the dog discomfort and pain.

*Bichon (microchip #7E10064001) was observed by the inspectors to be holding its right rear leg up and hopping around

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the enclosure. When examined by the inspectors, the toe pad had been partially torn away revealing reddened tissue. Additionally this dog was found to be in poor dental health, the left upper cheek tooth (fourth premolar) was loose and tooth roots exposed. The gums surrounding that tooth were also red and inflamed. The facility representative was unaware of the limping or poor dental health in this dog. This dog had last received a dental cleaning on 4-October-2022. Dogs with dental problems may experience pain while eating, may not eat enough, and can be stressed or uncomfortable. Skin problems can also cause pain and distress.

The facility has identified one adult dog in need of grooming on 20-February-2023 and has not completed the necessary grooming at the time of inspection.

Male Shih Tzu (microchip #93-304-100-004-644) was examined by inspectors and had at least two overgrown toenails that were curled and touching the dog's toe pad. Additionally, this dog had several matts on its feet and belly and overall coat was severely overgrown. Matted hair and overgrown toenails can be a source of discomfort and pain in dogs.

The facility is required to use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries in the regulated animals. The facility must ensure each animal receives adequate veterinary care and grooming at all times. The facility must remove the matted hair from the above-mentioned dogs and have all four dogs evaluated by a licensed veterinarian to assess their health to develop an effective treatment plan. These medical records must be available for APHIS inspection.

To be corrected by: End of Business 3-March-2023

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Several medications were found to be expired or had no expiration date:

*Three bottles of Fish-zole- expired on September-2022 and December-2022

*Ivermec mix- no expiration date

*Three bottles of Pyrantel/Stongid- expired 13-April-2022

*Secnidazole- expired October 2022

*Dextrose- expired September 2022

*22-gauge needles- expired October 2019

Expired medications do not ensure that the medications are effective at treating disease or illness and the health of the animal may suffer. Each dealer shall use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries. The facility must ensure all medications are not expired.

To be corrected by: This was corrected at the time of inspection

2.75(a)(1)

Records: Dealers and exhibitors.

The facility's 7005 APHIS Form shows 283 adult dogs on hand. The inventory count obtained during inspection is 225 adult dogs. The facility representative states that they have not made changes to the 7005 form recently with recent dog dispositions. A correct inventory count is important to maintain for disease traceback, and in cases of theft or loss. Each dealer shall make, keep, and maintain records which fully and correctly disclose each dog purchased or otherwise acquired, owned, held, euthanized, sold, or otherwise disposed of. Correct by maintaining current and accurate inventory on all dogs at the facility. Correct by: 22-March-2023

3.6(a)(2)(ii)

Primary enclosures.

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In two separate Sundowner kennel buildings in the adult dog facility, there are large holes in the plastic sheeting making up the back wall of two separate outdoor sections of the enclosures. One affected area is approximately 12" x 12". This enclosure houses 2 Cavalier King Charles Spaniel dogs. The second enclosure housing one adult dog has a hole approximately 10" x 4". The edges of the broken plastic in both enclosures may be sharp. Exposed sharp edges could result in injury to the dogs. Additionally, as there is a space between the plastic and the inner wall of the enclosure, a limb could get stuck between the layers of building material which could cause injury, pain, or distress.

A cage door from the outdoor section of a sheltered housing enclosure was left open on the top row of a Sundowner kennel. The inspectors observed two Cavalier King Charles Spaniels sticking their heads out of the open door during inspection. The floor of the enclosure is approximately 6 feet off the ground. A facility representative closed the door as soon as the issue was identified. A highly elevated enclosure with an open door may cause injury to the dogs if they were to fall and result in serious injury.

Primary enclosures must be constructed and maintained so that they protect the dogs from injury. Correct by ensuring all enclosures are maintained in good repair and that all doors to enclosures are properly closed and that all staff is prudent in checking for this. The facility representative corrected the problems at the time of this inspection.

3.11(b)(2)

Cleaning, sanitization, housekeeping, and pest control.

The wire paneling making up the roofs of three outdoor sections of a sheltered housing enclosures of a Sundowner kennel in the adult dog building has an excessive accumulation of hair and brown, dusty organic debris coating the wires. There is a build up of brown, smudged organic material on the center of several plastic/metal kennel shift doors in the primary enclosures. The facility representative states it is difficult to clean these areas due to cold temperatures. Accumulation of dirt, hair and debris can serve as a source of disease hazards, which may cause injury or illness to the

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dogs housed therein. Correct by ensuring that primary enclosures be cleaned and sanitized at least once every 2 weeks or as often as needed to prevent accumulation of dirt, debris, food waste, excreta, or other disease hazards. Correct by: 16-March-2023

3.13(b)(2)

Veterinary care for dogs.

The facility did not maintain a record of treatment and care for a problem identified on a dog on 1/29/23. After consulting his Attending Veterinarian (AV), the facility began treating an open wound on the left shoulder of a Bichon female (microchip # 7E10196733) with topical wound spray. Without proper documentation, it is difficult to determine the efficacy of a treatment plan. A proper medical record includes the date the problem was found, a description of the problem, the name and frequency of medications used, examination findings, test results, plans for treatment and care, and treatment procedures performed must be recorded and a copy kept for review during inspection by APHIS officials. Correct by ensuring all records of any treatments for problems identified in the dogs are recorded and maintained.

Correct by: this day forward.

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

The facility was made aware of the correction dates at the exit interview on 1-March-2023.

Additional Inspectors:

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Species Inspected

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5625	42-A-1672	001	HEATH MEYERS	01-MAR-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000225	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000128	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG PUPPY
000353	Total	