



Inspection Report

KUIPER RABBIT RANCH LLC
5317 W 41ST AVE
GARY, IN 46408

Customer ID: **502426**
Certificate: **32-A-0640**
Site: 001
KUIPER RABBIT RANCH LLC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 03-JUN-2021

3.28(c)(1)(iii)

Primary enclosures.

There are 11 enclosures that contain too many weaned guinea pigs. Space requirements establish that no more than 9 guinea pigs of weaning size may be held in each enclosure. The number of animals in the overcrowded enclosures range from 11 to 18.

Guinea pigs in cramped housing conditions experience increased stress which negatively impacts their health and well-being.

Guinea pigs of weaning weight require 60 square inches of floor space per animal. Ensure that guinea pigs are allowed appropriate space to reduce stress on the animals.

To be corrected by June 7, 2021.

3.53(c)(2)

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Primary enclosures.

The licensee continues to keep female rabbits with their litters in 30" by 30" enclosures. At least 3 of these litters are over the age of 8 weeks.

Primary enclosures shall be constructed and maintained so as to provide sufficient space for the animal to make normal postural adjustments with adequate freedom of movement.

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Rabbits are typically weaned between 4 and 8 weeks of age. Due to lack of space these litters are not weaned appropriately. Rabbits need to be properly weaned prior to sale to avoid undue stress of these young rabbits. Proper space must be offered these rabbits to avoid overcrowding and to offer freedom of movement to assure proper growth and development.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

Additional Inspectors:

KERRY MCHENRY, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000249	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
001425	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
001674	Total	