

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

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# Inspection Report

Henry R Sommers 31264 141 Ave Cincinnati, IA 52549 Customer ID: 30760

Certificate: 42-A-1329

Site: 001

HENRY SOMMERS

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 23-MAY-2016

2.40(b)(2) DIRECT REPEAT

#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

A female Morkie puppy was observed to be lying on the floor of her enclosure. The puppy was laying on her chest and belly and appeared lifeless and unresponsive. The licensee removed the puppy from her enclosure for closer observation by the inspectors. The puppy's eyelids were partially closed and the hair surrounding both eyes was wet and the hair on her rump was also wet. Physical examination of the puppy's gums revealed that they were extremely pale to white in color. The puppy was weak and limp while being held and her body was cold to the touch. When the puppy was returned to her enclosure, she was laid out flat on her side and made no attempt to move or raise her head.

The licensee stated that he noticed the puppy was a little thinner and had begun feeding her soft food. The licensee also said the puppy was fine that morning and had eaten the food. The licensee stated that he has not contacted a licensed veterinarian about the puppy's condition. The inspectors stopped the inspection and requested the licensee seek immediate veterinary care for the puppy. The licensee called a licensed veterinarian and then transported the puppy to the veterinarian for evaluation of her condition.

Poor body condition, pale gums, and unresponsive/lethargic behavior can be a sign of a serious underlying medical issue. The licensee must ensure that the diagnosis and treatment plan from the evaluation by the licensed veterinarian is documented and available to the inspectors upon request. The licensee must ensure that all dogs receive adequate veterinary care at all times.

## 3.1(a) REPEAT

#### HOUSING FACILITIES, GENERAL.

The outdoor sections of the dog enclosures are constructed of wire panels. At the far end of the building there is one enclosure, containing at least one dog, which the front panel is not attached to the side panel resulting in a large gap. The gap appears large enough for a dog to place it's head through. The licensee stated that he had been working on repairing the enclosures but must have missed that one. Gaps in the wire panels can cause a dog to become entrapped or escape which could result in injury.

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Housing facilities for dogs must be constructed and designed so that they protect the dogs from injury and contain the animals securely. The licensee must alter this enclosure in a manner that removes the gap between the panels and eliminates the risk of injury or escape. The licensee must ensure that all enclosures are kept in good repair and are safe for the dogs at all times.

## 3.1(c)(2) REPEAT

#### HOUSING FACILITIES, GENERAL.

At least three enclosures, containing two adult dogs and two puppies, have carpet squares for the dogs to sit and lie on. The edges of the carpet squares have been torn and shredded into long strands by the dogs. Some of the long strands of carpet have become tangled into clumps and one adult female was observed to have a clump of the shredded carpet attached to her face and she used a front paw to remove the material. The damaged and shredded carpet cannot be adequately cleaned and sanitized which could increase the risk of disease hazards towards the dogs.

All surfaces of housing facilities must be maintained on a regular basis. Any surface that cannot be readily cleaned and sanitized must be replaced when worn or soiled. The licensee must replace the damaged carpet squares with a surface that is capable of being adequately cleaned and sanitized. The licensee must ensure that all surfaces of housing facilities are kept in good repair and can be readily cleaned and sanitized at all times.

A partial inspection of the facility was conducted with Kelly Maxwell, ACI, Heather Cole, VMO and the licensee on May 23, 2016.

A brief exit interview was conducted with Kelly Maxwell, ACI, Heather Cole, VMO and the licensee on May 23, 2016.

A full exit interview was conducted with Kelly Maxwell, ACI and the facility representative on May 25, 2016.

#### **Additional Inspectors**

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# **Species Inspected**

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30760	42-A-1329	001	HENRY SOMMERS	23-MAY-16
Count	Scientific Name		Common Name	
000042	Canis lupus familia	nris	DOG ADULT	
000017	Canis lupus familia	aris	DOG PUPPY	