



Inspection Report

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Customer ID: **20126**
Certificate: **43-A-3790**
Site: 001
CHRIS NILGES

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 25-FEB-2014

2.40(b)(2) DIRECT

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

Direct - There was an approximately 9 week old male Havanese puppy (#56) that was lethargic. The puppy was observed lying in the enclosure and would barely lift its head and did not attempt to play with the other puppy in the enclosure. Upon closer observation, the puppy's gums were light pink to white in color and appeared dry. The puppy also appeared to be breathing heavy and a faint wheezy-like sound could occasionally be heard with the puppy's breathing. According to the licensee, he had not noticed the puppy's condition. A lethargic puppy with abnormal breathing could have a serious medical condition that can deteriorate very quickly, resulting in death. The licensee had this animal examined by a licensed veterinarian immediately following the completion of the facility inspection. In conjunction with the exit interview on February 25, 2014, the licensee provided the inspector with written documentation from a veterinarian for the evaluation and treatment recommendations regarding this animal. The licensee must ensure that the veterinarian's treatment plan is followed.

***There was an approximately 8 year old male Yorkshire Terrier (#078*362*588) with a dental condition. The dog was observed with its tongue hanging out and wet fur mostly around the face and front legs; some small matts were present in the fur around the dog's face. Many of the dog's teeth appeared to be missing. At least one tooth on each side of the mouth was observed and each had a very heavy build-up of yellowish brown to green material covering it. One of these teeth was an upper left cheek tooth which was observed to move very easily upon lifting the dog's upper lip. There was a whitish gray creamy material observed at the gum line of each of these teeth.

***There was an adult male white Chihuahua (#099*512*809) with a dental condition, long nails and an approximately 1 1/4 inch diameter region of hair loss along the front of the upper left rear leg. Some of the teeth appeared to be missing and most of the teeth that were present had a heavy build-up of yellowish brown to dark brown material on the teeth. This abnormal build-up of material covered the majority of the cheek teeth and extended into the gum line. The gums appeared reddened, swollen and had receded along some of these teeth. Some of the nails on the dog's rear paws were excessively long. Some of these nails were curling under and were starting to approach the pads of the feet. Also, there was an approximately 1 inch linear rough, dry, dark brown to black scab-like lesion in the area of hair loss on the dog's left rear leg. Some of the surrounding fur in this area was light reddish brown in color. According to the licensee, he was unaware of the lesion on the dog's leg. The hair loss and lesion on the left rear leg could be the result of an injury, infection or other veterinary medical condition that may

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cause discomfort. Long toenails increase the risk of discomfort and injury. The licensee must ensure that all dogs' toenails are trimmed short enough that their stance is not affected and to a length that will decrease the risk of injury.

The abnormal build-up of material on the dogs' teeth can cause damage to the gum tissue and tooth structures. These dogs' dental conditions could be painful, may decrease the dogs' ability to eat normally and negatively impact the overall health of the animals.

***There was an adult female Shiba Inu (#103*871*293) intermittently holding its left front leg up and licking at the paw. On closer observation there was an approximately 1 inch long region of hair loss between two of the digits on the left front paw. The skin in the region of hair loss appeared red, moist and inflamed with at least one small pinpoint open sore. The surrounding fur was wet and a clear to white material was observed on and around the lesion. While observing the paw, the dog would frequently jerk the paw away and back towards its body. According to the licensee, he had not noticed the condition of the dog's paw. This lesion could be the result of injury, infection or other veterinary medical condition that could be painful.

The licensee must have the Yorkshire Terrier (#078*362*588), Chihuahua (#099*512*809) and Shiba Inu (#103*871*293) examined by a licensed veterinarian in order to ensure that accurate diagnoses are made and appropriate treatment plans are developed and followed. The licensee must develop and establish an effective dental care program as part of the overall program of veterinary care for the animals in the facility.

***There was an adult female Yorkshire Terrier (#105*052*527) that had matting of the fur with several larger sized matts noted along the dog's back and rear legs. Matting can be uncomfortable and can increase the risk of skin sores. The licensee must ensure this dog is groomed and establish an appropriate grooming schedule for all dogs.

The licensee must ensure that all animals receive adequate veterinary care at all times. TO BE CORRECTED BY: February 28, 2014.

3.1(a)

HOUSING FACILITIES, GENERAL.

(a) Structure.

***There were several enclosures throughout the facility that had structures which were in disrepair. The outdoor portion of a sheltered enclosure housing an adult dog had metal flashing around the frame of the access door. This metal flashing was broken and separating from the underlying structures along a section of the bottom, corner and side. Some of the edges of the separated metal frame were bent, roughened and pointing outward where an animal could easily step on and/or otherwise come in contact with the irregularly shaped sharp edges. In another outdoor portion of an enclosure housing 2 dogs, a section of the back solid wall, adjacent to the side of an access door

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frame, was in disrepair. The metal-like wall was separating from the underlying structure and some of the irregularly shaped and roughened edges were bent outward and pointing into the enclosure at the dogs' level. A large portion of the exposed underlying wall was rusted. Also, there were at least three shelter units in the outdoor facility with walls that had white plastic coverings which were chewed along the edges of the door frames; various sized portions of the plastic were separating from the wood underneath them. One of these shelters had two larger sections of the underlying wood exposed around the door frame. The chewed plastic edges appeared rough and sharp in appearance. The broken and/or chewed wall coverings and metal door frames increase the risk that the animals could become injured on the roughened edges. The licensee must ensure that all animal housing facilities are kept in good repair and that they protect the animals from injury as well as contain the animals securely and restrict other animals from entering at all times. TO BE CORRECTED BY: March 4, 2014.

The inspection was conducted on February 25, 2014 with the licensee. All correction dates were verbally discussed and acknowledged to be understood by the licensee on February 25, 2014. An exit interview was completed on February 26, 2014.

Additional Inspectors

Heine William, Animal Care Inspector

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Species Inspected

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20126	43-A-3790	001	CHRIS NILGES	25-FEB-14

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000181	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000048	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG PUPPY
000229	Total	