

OFFICIAL WARNING



VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

CASE NO.

PA11020

VIOLATOR

Customer # 27259

Certificate # 23-C-0247

Debra & Jessica Gaus

Party Ponies and Farm Friends

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The Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about **December 9, 2010 - November 2, 2010 - October 5, 2010 - September 23, 2010 - September 9, 2010 - August 16, 2010 - July 21, 2010** you or your organization committed the following violation of Federal Regulations:

9 CFR, SECTION

Failure to

2.40 (a)

- **Employ an attending veterinarian under formal arrangement. Part-time attending veterinarian or consultant arrangements, shall include a written program of veterinary care and regularly scheduled visits to the premises.**

(The Program of Veterinary Care is not complete.)

2.40 (b)(3)

- **Establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care to include daily observations and frequent communication with the attending veterinarian to convey information on problems of animal health, behavior, and well-being.**

(A goat was not fully weight bearing on its right hind foot.**

****A white pygmy male goat is walking very stiff and awkwardly, and frequently being jumped by the largest buck in the pen.**

****A llama has severely overgrown lower teeth.)**

2.75 (b)(3)

- **Provide one copy of the record containing the information required by paragraph (b)(1) of this section shall accompany each shipment of any animal(s) other than a dog or cat purchased or otherwise acquired or disposed of by a dealer or exhibitor. The dealer or exhibitor shall retain one copy of the record containing the information required by paragraph (b)(1) of this section.**

(There were no records available for the animals on exhibit.)

3.125 (a)

- Construct facility of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. Indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

(**On top of a shelter housing sixteen goats is a loose board with nails sticking out.

**A gate and one panel to a pen with sixteen goats and one sheep is held together with twine or rope.

**A second board kicked inward and at risk of coming loose.)

3.127

- Provide natural or artificial shelter for all animals kept outdoors to protect and prevent discomfort from inclement weather.

(**A roofed enclosure containing two goats and one llama has less than three sides to protect them from inclement weather.

**A pen with two small shelters does not provide sufficient shelter for sixteen goats and one sheep from inclement weather at the same time.)

3.128

- Construct and maintain enclosures so as to provide sufficient space to allow each animal to make normal postural and social adjustments with adequate freedom of movement. Inadequate space may be indicated by evidence of malnutrition, poor condition, debility, stress, or abnormal behavior patterns.

(Five goats held in three dog cages for isolation are unable to make normal postural adjustments.)

3.130

- Make potable water accessible to animals at all time for the health and comfort of the animal.

(**Dirt and debris was floating in the goat and sheep water container.

**Feces and other items were still floating in the llama and sheep water container.)

3.131 (a)

- Remove excreta from primary enclosures as often as necessary to prevent contamination of the animals contained, minimize disease hazards and reduce odors.

(**The pen with eleven goats and two sheep has excessive buildup of feces.

**The buildup of feces is contaminating hay on the ground and left in place for the animals to feed upon.

**The llama / sheep pen was soaked from an unmonitored water hose.


**The pen that held the llama still has excessive buildup of feces.)

3.56

- Keep primary enclosures reasonably free of excreta, hair, cobwebs and other debris by periodic cleaning. Measures shall be taken to prevent wetting of rabbits in enclosures if a washing process is used.

(The rabbit enclosure was left full of rabbit excreta.)

Titles 7 & 9 Code of Federal Regulations were promulgated to help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases and assure the humane treatment of animals. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impact detrimental to the public interest, you are warned of this violation. Any further violation of these regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty or criminal prosecution. If you have any questions concerning this warning or violation, please contact the listed APHIS Official.

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