

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

OFFICIAL WARNING
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

CASE NUMBER:
NE10007

VIOLATOR:
Jason Ratzlaff
Customer #: 11271
Certificate #: 47-A-0391 (canc)

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about September 1, 2010, June 1, 2010, March 3, 2010, November 2, 2009, October 30, 2009, June 16, 2009, June 10, 2009, April 10, 2009, December 8, 2008, November 21, 2008, July 23, 2008, March 28, 2008, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations 9 CFR, Section:

2.40(b)(3) Attending Veterinarian and Adequate Veterinary Care... DIRECT... repeated failure to observe the animals daily and assess their health and well-being.

2.126(b) Access and Inspection of Records and Property... repeated failure to make a responsible adult available to accompany APHIS officials during the inspection process.

3.1(c)(1) Housing Facilities, General... repeated failure to construct and maintain surfaces of housing facilities in a manner and make of materials that allow them to be readily cleaned and sanitized, or removed or replaced when worn or soiled.

3.1 (c)(1)(i) Housing Facilities, General, Cleaning... repeated failure to maintain surfaces which the dogs come in contact impervious to moisture and free of rust.

3.1(c)(1)(ii) Housing Facilities, General... repeated failure to maintain surfaces free of jagged edges and sharp points that might injure the animals.

3.1(c)(3) Housing Facilities, General... repeated failure to spot-clean daily and sanitize once every two weeks.

3.4(c) Outdoor Housing Facilities... repeated failures to maintain surfaces that come into contact with animals impervious to moisture. All surfaces must be maintained on a regular basis. Surfaces of outdoor housing facilities that cannot be readily cleaned and sanitized, must be replaced when worn or soiled.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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