NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS
DIVISION OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY
10B AIRLINE DRIVE, ALBANY, NY 12235

MUNICIPAL SHELTER INSPECTION REPORT - DL-90

Rating: **Unsatisfactory30** Purpose: **Inspection**

DATE/TOA: **8/11/25 11:30 am**

Dunkirk Municipal Shelter
855 Main St.
Dunkirk NY 14048

Inspector #: **074**

These are the findings of an inspection of your facility on the date(s) indicated above:

1. Shelter is structurally sound — Yes

2. Housing area and equipment is sanitized regularly — No

Floor coating of all interior kennels is peeling, exposing unsealed concrete underneath, which can not be cleaned/santized properly. Polywood board at bottom of far left kennel's dividing wall has been chewed by dogs, which can not be cleaned/sanitized properly.

3. Repairs are done when necessary — No

Floor coating of all interior kennels is peeling; polywood board at bottom of far left kennel's dividing wall has been chewed by dogs.

4. Dogs are handled safely — Yes

5. Adequate space is available for all dogs — Yes

6. Light is sufficient for observation — Yes

7. Ventilation is adequate — Yes

8. Drainage is adequate — Yes

9. Temperature extremes are avoided — Yes

10. Clean food and water is available and in ample amount — Yes

11. Veterinary care is provided when necessary — Yes

12. Dogs are euthanized humanely, by authorized personnel — Yes

13. Complete intake and disposition records are maintained for all seized dogs — No

Incomplete records for 13 dogs seized from 2/20/24 through 3/28/24; No records provided for any dogs seized beyond 3/28/24.

14. Dogs transferred for purposes of adoption in compliance with Article 7 — No

Unable to determine due to all records not provided for inspection.

15. Redemption period is observed before adoption, euthanasia or transfer — No

Unable to determine due to all records not provided for inspection.

16. Owners of identified dogs are properly notified — Yes

17. Redeemed dogs are licensed before release — No

Unable to determine due to incomplete records/all records not provided for inspection.

18. Proper impoundment fees paid before dogs are released — No

Unable to determine due to incomplete records/all records not provided for inspection.

19. Written contract or lease with municipality — Not Applicable

Municipality owned.

Town - City - Village Information for Inspection:

TCV CODE	TCV NAME
0628	City of Dunkirk

REMARKS:

All surfaces within the primary enclosure must be replaced or repaired when worn or damaged. Dirty, rough and absorbent materials protect microorganisms and are difficult to clean, disinfect and deodorize. Damaged areas of kennels must be repaired or replaced to prevent dogs from ingesting any materials that may come loose from chewing and clawing the enclosure. Due to its porosity, concrete must be treated with a liquid sealer or hardener to make it waterproof. Waterproofing prevents water damage to concrete and allows thorough sanitization.

Records must be complete at the time of inspection. This often is accomplished by communication between the municipal offices, the contracted shelter and the DCO. According to Article 7, Section 113.4, every dog control officer, peace officer, when acting pursuant to his special duties or police officer shall promptly make and maintain a complete record of any seizure and subsequent disposition of any dog. According to Article 7, Sections 117.4 and 117.6, the DCO or shelter cannot release an "Article 7" dog unless the owner shows proof of a current license and proof that the correct impoundment fee has been paid; the new license number issued must also be recorded in order to determine compliance at the time of inspection.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Emily Dillenburg**
TITLE: **Feeder/Cleaner**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 833**
REVIEWED DATE: **08/21/2025**