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

SHELTER INSPECTION REPORT - AI-SIR

Rating: **Non-Compliant Critical - 7**

Purpose: **Inspection**

DATE/TOA: **3/20/26 9:00 am**

License No.: Expiration Date:

HUDSON VALLEY ANIMAL RESCUE & SANCTUARY
9 BARNES DRIVE
POUGHKEEPSIE NY 12603

Inspector #: **61**
Inspector #: **67**
Inspector #: **83**

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

Agriculture & Markets Law - Article 26C - Regulation of Animal Shelters

A. General Facility Standards

1. Facility Article 26 C, §424.1	Satisfactory
2. Surfaces Article 26 C, §424.2	Satisfactory
3. Power/Water Article 26 C, §424.3	Satisfactory
4. Sinks Article 26 C, §424.4	Satisfactory
5. Temperature Article 26 C, §424.5, 6	Satisfactory
6. HVAC Maintenance Article 26 C, §424.7	Satisfactory
7. Ammonia Article 26 C, §424.8	Satisfactory
8. Isolation Article 26 C, §424.9; 425.8	Satisfactory
9. Sound Article 26 C, §424.10	Satisfactory
10. Lighting Article 26 C, §424.11	Satisfactory
11. Drainage and Waste Article 26 C, §424.2; 425.3, 16	Satisfactory
12. Pest Control Article 26 C, §424.12	Satisfactory
13. Drop Box Article 26 C, §424.13	Satisfactory

B. Animal Housing

1. Primary Enclosure Article 26 C, §425.1, 3, 10, 12; 424.2	General Deficiency

Rusty cages; cages needing minor repair.

Article 26 C, §424.1
All indoor building surfaces in direct contact with animals must be constructed of materials that are impervious, non-porous, non-toxic, and able to withstand regular cleaning and disinfection

2. Group Housing Article 26 C, §425.5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14	Satisfactory
3. Whelping Box Article 26 C, §425.8 (b)	Satisfactory
4. Outdoor Housing Article 26 C, §425.2, 15, 16	Not Applicable
5. Identification Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (v)	Satisfactory

C. Sanitation

1. Sanitation Article 26 C, §426.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11; 428.1 (e)	Satisfactory
2. Outdoor Enclosures Article 26 C, §426.9	Not Applicable

D. Shelter Management and Animal Husbandry

1. Number Housed Article 26 C, §425.12; 427.2,3 Satisfactory

2. Observation Article 26 C, §428.1; 427.4 Satisfactory

3. Food and Water Article 26 C, §428.1 General Deficiency

Observations not recorded.

Article 26 C, §428.1
Each animal shall be observed during or following each feeding time to ensure daily food intake, or at least once every 24 hrs. for animals continuously offered food.
Observations must be recorded §425.2.

4. Restraint Article 26 C, §428.2 (a), (b), (c) Satisfactory

E. Behavior

1. Routine Care and Handling Article 26 C, §430.1, 2, 3 Satisfactory

2. Exercise and Enrichment Article 26 C, §430.4 (a), (b), (c), 5 General Deficiency

Daily exploration for cats and/or dogs not documented. Additional enrichment not documented

Article 26 C, §430.4 (a), (b), (c), 5
All cats housed (in 18 sq. ft. or less) greater than 14 days permitted to explore outside primary enclosure at least 15 min. per day/5 days per week. All dogs housed greater than 14 days permitted exercise at least 20 min. per day/5 days per week

3. Behavior Evaluations Article 26 C, §430.6, 7 (a), (b) Satisfactory

F. Transportation

1. Vehicle Article 26 C, §431.1 a-f Satisfactory

2. Vaccinations Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (i-vi1) Satisfactory

3. Health Certificates Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (iv) 3 Critical Deficiency

Health Certificate not supplied with animal transported.

Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (iv) 3
A health certificate is required for each animal to be transported into the state in accordance with Part 65 of the commissioner's rules and regulations. Health certificates shall accompany each animal during transport and be completed and signed by a licensed veterinarian.

4. Visual Identification Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (v) Satisfactory

5. Destination Shelter Contact Article 26 C, §431.2 Satisfactory

6. Animal <1 year not from USDA Breeder Article 26 C, §431.5 Satisfactory

7. Mandatory Holding Period Article 26, §384.1; 384.2 Satisfactory

G. Record Keeping and Protocols

1. License Status Article 26 C, §421.1 Satisfactory

2. License Displayed Article 26 C, §421.4 Satisfactory

3. Required Training Article 26 C, §422 General Deficiency

Required training documentation unavailable

Article 26 C, §422
Required training shall include information on:
- *Humane animal handling*
- *Infectious diseases commonly found in animal shelters*
- *Zoonotic diseases*
- *Animal cruelty*
- *Sanitation procedures*
- *Body language/normal behaviors for all species regularly handled*
- *Required documentation and data entry*

4. Unique Animal Identifiers Recorded Article 26 C, §423.1,2 Satisfactory

5. Record Requirement Article 26 C, §423 Satisfactory

6. Record Retention Article 26 C, §423.3 Satisfactory

7. Bite History Notification Article 26 C, §423.4 Satisfactory

8. Animal Intake Article 26 C, §423.1,2 Satisfactory

9. In House Protocols Article 26 C, §423.8 Satisfactory

10. Veterinary Protocols Article 26 C, §423.2 (g),9; 429 Satisfactory

11. Pest Control Plan Article 26 C, §424.12 Satisfactory

12. Staff Authority/ Roles and Responsibilities Article 26 C, §427.1 General Deficiency

Documentation unavailable for job descriptions/ responsibilities/ protocols. Documentation of responsibilities/protocols not accessible by staff.

Article 26 C, §427.1,2
Clearly written protocols that define staff authority, reporting, structure and responsibilities, and is readily accessible by the staff and volunteers. Authority and responsibility given to those with appropriate knowledge and training.

H. Veterinary Care and Records

1. Veterinary and Emergency Care Article 26 C, §429.1-6 Satisfactory

2. Examinations Article 26 C, §429.3, 7, 11, 13 Critical Deficiency

Animals not assessed within two hours on intake. Animals not provided with complete physical examination within 24 hours of intake.

Article 26 C, §429.3, 7, 11, 13
All incoming animals shall be assessed within two hours after intake by a trained animal shelter staff member to determine if any physical abnormalities exist that require immediate veterinary attention. Each animal in custody or possession shall be provided with complete physical examination by trained staff within 24 hours of intake. Animals are to be specifically examined for bite wounds to determine potential rabies exposure (if applicable, shelters must comply with reporting requirements 10 NYCRR 2.14).

3. Drug Logs Article 26 C, §429.2 Satisfactory

4. Vaccinations Article 26 C, §429.8, 9 Satisfactory

5. Deworming Article 26 C, §429.10 Satisfactory

6. Weights Article 26 C, §429.12 Satisfactory

7. Grooming Article 26 C, §429.14 Satisfactory

8. Spay/Neuter Article 26 C, §429.15 (a), (b. i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi), (c) Satisfactory

9. Dog Licensing Article 7,§ 109 Not Applicable

I. Foster Care

1. Foster Care Providers Article 26 C, §423.6 Satisfactory

2. Provider Requirements Article 26 C, §432.1 Satisfactory

3. Records Article 26 C, §432.2 Satisfactory

4. Infectious Disease Protocol Article 26 C, §432.3; 422.9 Satisfactory

Additional Information for Inspection:

REMARKS:

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Maria Luciano**
TITLE: **Manager**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 852**
REVIEWED DATE: **03/30/2026**