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: **5/15/26 10:00 am**

License No.:

Expiration Date:

PAUL THE CAT GUY INC
38-11 DITMARS BLVD
 # 90
ASTORIA NY 11105

Inspector #: **62**
Inspector #: **87**

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	Not Applicable
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	General Deficiency

No written pest control plan
Article 26-C 424.12
Animal shelter must maintain a written plan for pest
and vermin control.
Written plan must include:
Method of controlling rodent infestation which is effective and safe for both humans and animals housed.
Records of service reports from outside service providers related to pest and vermin control, with documentation of dates,
methods, locations, and outcomes if applicable.

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	Satisfactory
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)	Not Applicable
4. Outdoor Housing Article 26 C, §425.2, 15, 16	Not Applicable
5. Identification Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (v)	General Deficiency

Animals not visually identifiable.
Article 26-C 425.7(d),9
The animal has a collar or tag to facilitate visual identification, unless the animal's age or condition is such that application of visual identification is not practicable or would be detrimental to the animal's health.

C. Sanitation

1. Sanitation Article 26 C, §426.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11; 428.1 (e)	Not Applicable
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	Not Applicable
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	Not Applicable
3. Behavior Evaluations Article 26 C, §430.6, 7 (a), (b)	Satisfactory

F. Transportation

1. Vehicle Article 26 C, §431.1 a-f	Not Applicable
2. Vaccinations Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (i-vi1)	Not Applicable
3. Health Certificates Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (iv) 3	Not Applicable
4. Visual Identification Article 26 C, §431.2 (d), (v)	Not Applicable
5. Destination Shelter Contact Article 26 C, §431.2	Not Applicable
6. Animal <1 year not from USDA Breeder Article 26 C, §431.5	Satisfactory
7. Mandatory Holding Period Article 26, §384.1; 384.2	Not Applicable

G. Record Keeping and Protocols

1. License Status Article 26 C, §421.1 Not Applicable

2. License Displayed Article 26 C, §421.4 Not Applicable

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

Training not documented for employees and volunteers having direct animal care responsibilities .
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
Training may be presented on-site, online, at conference or seminars.

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 Not Applicable

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

8. Animal Intake Article 26 C, §423.1,2 General Deficiency

Source of animals not recorded.
Article 26-C 423.1,2
2. Each animal shelter shall create and maintain a record for each animal in their custody or possession which shall minimally include:
(a) Unique identifiers and any other identification associated with the animal upon examination at entry, including but not limited to a tattoo, a permanent official identification number as prescribed in section one hundred twelve of this chapter or other identification tags, rabies tags and numbers, or a microchip number, if present;
(b) The name, address and telephone number of the person surrendering an animal or from whom an animal is seized, and additional contact information as the commissioner may require, or the address or cross-streets and city, town, or village where the animal was located or found prior to intake, if known;
(c) The date of intake into and departure from the animal shelter;
(d) Whether the animal was adopted, transferred, redeemed by its owner, died or was humanely euthanized, and, if applicable, the name, address, and phone number of the receiving individual or agency;
(e) Basic descriptors including species, age, gender, physical description including color, and the spay or neuter status at entry if determinable with reasonable certainty;
(f) Any available behavioral or health history or information otherwise obtained at intake, including bite history and rabies vaccination status, when known; and
(g) All veterinary and behavioral examinations, treatments, procedures, or medications occurring during the animal's time under the care of the shelter.

9. In House Protocols Article 26 C, §423.8 General Deficiency

Written protocols unavailable for inspection.
Article 26-C 423.8
Written protocols shall be in place for:
• Animal Handling
• Behavioral Assessment
• Enrichment and Stress Reduction
• Management of Bite & Scratch Cases
• Sanitation

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

Written protocols unavailable and/or incomplete.
Article 26-C 432.2,9
Written protocols must be approved by a veterinarian for the following categories:
• Nutrition and Feeding
• Physical Examination
• Emergency Vet Care
• Pain Management
• Vaccinations
• Parasite Control
• Anesthesia and/or Surgery (if done on site by the organization)
• Humane Euthanasia
• Outbreak Management/Control of Infectious Diseases
Written protocols shall be maintained by the shelter and available for inspection.

11. Pest Control Plan Article 26 C, §424.12 General Deficiency

No written pest control plan.
Article 26-C 424.12
• Animal shelter must maintain a written plan for pest and vermin control.

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
Clearly written protocols that define staff authority, reporting, structure and responsibilities, and is readily accessible by the staff and volunteers.

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
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.

3. Drug Logs Article 26 C, §429.2 General Deficiency

Prescription medications and treatments administered not documented.
Article 26-C 429.2
All drugs shall be documented and dispensed according with applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations.

4. Vaccinations Article 26 C, §429.8, 9 Critical Deficiency

Animals not vaccinated with core vaccines.
Article 26-C 429.8
Animals in custody or possession shall be vaccinated with core vaccines as recommended by national standards and guidelines, endorsed, or approved by AAFT, AAHA, ASV.

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: **PAUL SANTELL**
TITLE: **Owner**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 852**
REVIEWED DATE: **05/19/2026**