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

License No.: Expiration Date:

PAWS UNITE PEOPLE INC
6 S. JERSEY AVENUE
UNIT A
EAST SETAUKET NY 11733

Inspector #: **84**
Inspector #: **82**
Inspector #: **62**

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	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)	Satisfactory

C. Sanitation

1. Sanitation Article 26 C, §426.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11; 428.1 (e) — Critical Deficiency

Primary enclosures not cleaned and disinfected properly.

Article 26 C, §426; 428.1 €
• Cleaning and disinfecting kennels, equipment, bedding, litter boxes, food/water dishes, etc. between animals.
• Daily cleaning and at least once weekly disinfecting enclosure that house the same animals or animals housed for long term.

2. Outdoor Enclosures Article 26 C, §426.9 — Satisfactory

D. Shelter Management and Animal Husbandry

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

Staffing not sufficient for animal needs. Sufficient staffing should allow for 15 minutes per animal for cleaning , feeding, and 20 minutes for enrichment.

Article 26 C, 425.12; 427.2,3

• Sufficient staffing to allow adequate time per animal for cleaning and daily feeding, and to meet minimum requirements for socialization and exercise of animals. Documentation needed for those not eligible due to poor socialization, fearful, or aggressive.

• Sufficient staffing (including volunteer time) should allow for a minimum of 15 minutes per animal for cleaning and feeding, and minimum of 20 minutes for enrichment.

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

3. Food and Water Article 26 C, §428.1 Satisfactory

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 Satisfactory

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 Satisfactory

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

3. Required Training Article 26 C, §422 Satisfactory

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 Not Applicable

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 Satisfactory

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 Satisfactory

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:

N/A= Requirement not applicable to organizational operations or conditions observed.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Meredith Festa**
TITLE: **Director**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 846**
REVIEWED DATE: **05/27/2026**