

SHELTER INSPECTION REPORT - AI-SIRRating: **Non-Compliant Critical - 7**Purpose: **Inspection**DATE/TOA: **9/8/26 11:30 am**

License No.:

Expiration Date:

**COVE ANIMAL RESCUE
40 SHORE ROAD
GLEN COVE NY 11542**Inspector #: **51**

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

General Deficiency

*The surfaces of floors and walls where animals come into contact are not impervious or need minor repair.**Article 26 C, §424.2**Indoor building surfaces in direct contact with animals shall be constructed of materials that are non-porous, water resistant, non-toxic and able to withstand regular cleaning and disinfection.***3. Power/Water Article 26 C, §424.3**

General Deficiency

*No written emergency plan for power or water outage.**Article 26 C, §424.3**Electrical power and running water shall be maintained to all parts of the facility that house animals, with written emergency plans for back-up sources or relocation of the animals to a safe environment in the event of outages lasting more than four hours.***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

General Deficiency

*Sound levels not documented or sound logs unavailable for inspection.**Article 26 C, §424.10**Each animal shelter shall minimize continuous exposure of personnel and animals to sound levels exceeding eighty-five decibels. Active measures shall be taken and documented to minimize sound levels in housing areas. Such measures may include modified kennel design, relocation of particularly loud animals, or use of visual barriers, sound baffling, and behavioral enrichment protocols. Each animal shelter shall use a decibel-meter at a minimum of once weekly to measure the level of sound in their kennels during cleaning and resting times. A record of such measurements and the date such measurements were recorded shall be maintained by each animal shelter.***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)

General Deficiency

*Animal identification unavailable.**Article 26 C, §425.7 (d), 9**Each enclosure shall clearly indicate the identities of all animals contained within, specifying each animal's unique identifier as required under section four hundred twenty-three of this article. Each animal shall also be individually identified.***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

Satisfactory

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

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

General Deficiency

*Exercise and or enrichment not documented.**Article 26 C, §430.3, 4 (a), (b), (c), 5**. At least twenty minutes of positive social interactions, in addition to time spent providing feeding, cleaning, basic husbandry or care with people shall be provided by each animal shelter on a daily basis for any animal in such shelter's custody or possession except those so poorly socialized to humans that such contact would be unpleasant, stressful or pose a safety risk to other animals or humans. Daily handling and positive exposure to people and other animals shall be provided for any dog or cat less than four months of age, while taking appropriate precautions to limit infectious disease. Positive social interactions shall include but not be limited to petting an animal, walking, reward based training or interactive play with toys. Time spent providing basic husbandry and animal care shall not be used to offset the social interaction time requirements of this subdivision.**4. Each animal shelter shall provide each animal in its custody or possession opportunity for exercise and exploration in the following manner: (a) all cats housed in a cage, kennel, or room that provides less than eighteen square feet of floor space per cat for fourteen days or longer shall be permitted at least fifteen minutes per day at least five days per week outside of their primary enclosure to exercise and explore; (b) all dogs residing in the shelter for fourteen days or longer shall be permitted time outside of their primary enclosure to exercise and explore for at least twenty minutes per day five days per week; or (c) in the event such activities are not possible due to any animal's health, behavior, order of the commissioner or legal restriction, the condition and reason shall be documented in such animal's medical record.**5. Each animal shelter shall implement additional measures for enrichment and stress reduction for any animal in its custody or possession showing persistent hiding, hostile interactions with other animals, reduced activity,***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	Satisfactory
9. In House Protocols Article 26 C, §423.8	Satisfactory
10. Veterinary Protocols Article 26 C, §423.2 (g),9; 429	General Deficiency

Written protocols not approved by a licensed veterinarian.

Article 26 C, §423.9, 10

Each animal shelter shall also develop and maintain the following written protocols, approved by a duly licensed veterinarian and sufficiently detailed to achieve and maintain the standards prescribed in this article: (a) nutrition and feeding; (b) physical examination; (c) emergency veterinary care; (d) pain management; (e) vaccinations; (f) parasite control; (g) anesthesia and surgery, if performed on-site by the organization; (h) humane euthanasia; and (i) outbreak management/control of infectious diseases.

10. Protocols established by each animal shelter pursuant to this section shall be reviewed annually and updated as necessary by designated administrative and managerial staff. Such protocols shall be made readily accessible to appropriate staff and volunteers.

11. Pest Control Plan Article 26 C, §424.12	Satisfactory
12. Staff Authority/ Roles and Responsibilities Article 26 C, §427.1	General Deficiency

Documentation for staff authority, reporting, and/or responsibilities unavailable.

Article 26 C, §427.1

Each animal shelter shall have a clear, written, management structure that defines staff authority, reporting structure and responsibilities, and is readily accessible to all 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

Satisfactory

3. Drug Logs Article 26 C, §429.2

General Deficiency

*Medication documentation unavailable.**Article 26 C, §429.2**All drugs shall be documented and dispensed by each animal shelter in accordance with applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations.***4. Vaccinations Article 26 C, §429.8, 9**

Satisfactory

5. Deworming Article 26 C, §429.10

Satisfactory

6. Weights Article 26 C, §429.12

Critical Deficiency

*Weights for animals in custody for more than 30 days not recorded.**Article 26 C, §429.12**Any animal in the custody or possession of any animal shelter for more than thirty days shall be examined and weighed at least monthly by a trained staff member. Animals in foster care shall be examined and weighed at least once every six months by a trained staff member.***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

Satisfactory

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:

Kathy Norcia

REVIEWED BY:

Inspector #: 852TITLE: **Director**

REVIEWED DATE:

09/10/2026