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 General - 30**

Purpose: **Inspection**

DATE/TOA: **11/6/26 10:00 am**

License No.: Expiration Date:

TOWN OF COBLESKILL MUNICIPAL SHELTER
128 LIMESTONE LANE
COBLESKILL NY 12043

Inspector #: **58**

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 — 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 — General Deficiency

HVAC maintenance not documented.

Article 26 C, §424.7
Each animal shelter shall document regular maintenance of air handling systems according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

7. Ammonia Article 26 C, §424.8 — Satisfactory

8. Isolation Article 26 C, §424.9; 425.8 — General Deficiency

Isolation area does not prevent or reduce spread of illness.

Article 26 C, §424.9
Each animal shelter shall provide separate housing areas, segregated by species and from uninfected, unexposed animals, for the housing of any animal with an infectious disease that may be transmitted within the shelter environment and requiring isolation as determined by a licensed veterinarian. Doors separating such rooms from the remainder of the facility shall be kept closed.

9. Sound Article 26 C, §424.10 — General Deficiency

Sound levels not documented

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	Not Applicable
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)	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	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	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	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	General Deficiency

No written protocol for animal handling, behavioral assessment, enrichment and stress reduction, and management of bite/scratch cases.

Article 26 C, §423.8,10
8. Each animal shelter shall develop and maintain written protocols sufficiently detailed to achieve and maintain the standards prescribed in this section. These shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (a) animal handling; (b) behavioral assessment; (c) enrichment and stress reduction; (d) management of bite/scratch cases; and (e) sanitation.
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.

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

Written protocols not available and approved by a licensed veterinarian for: nutrition and feeding, physical examination, emergency veterinary care, pain management, vaccinations, parasite control, humane euthanasia, and outbreak management/control of infectious diseases.

Article 26 C, §423.9, 10
9. 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	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	Not Applicable
5. Deworming Article 26 C, §429.10	Not Applicable
6. Weights Article 26 C, §429.12	Not Applicable
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)	Not Applicable
9. Dog Licensing Article 7,§ 109	Satisfactory

I. Foster Care

1. Foster Care Providers Article 26 C, §423.6	Not Applicable
2. Provider Requirements Article 26 C, §432.1	Not Applicable
3. Records Article 26 C, §432.2	Not Applicable
4. Infectious Disease Protocol Article 26 C, §432.3; 422.9	Not Applicable

Additional Information for Inspection:

REMARKS:

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

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Elizabeth Barr**
TITLE: **Deputy Town Clerk**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 852**
REVIEWED DATE: **11/09/2026**