

Trenton Animal Shelter
72 Escher Street
Trenton, NJ 08608

Continuation Sheet for the inspection of Trenton Animal Shelter conducted on September 14, 2022 by Linda Frese and Dr. Darby McDermott of the New Jersey Department of Health, accompanied by Yvette Graffie-Cooper, Health Officer, and Andre Trott, Registered Environmental Health Specialist

N.J.A.C. 8:23 A Section and Noted Deficiency:

- **1.2 (b)**- Certificate of inspection issued for the current licensing year was not prominently displayed in an area visible to the public. **Needed action:** Display certificate of inspection in an area visible to the public
- **1.3 (c) and (f)**- One bag of open food not adequately stored in feed room to protect supplies against infestation or contamination by vermin; Storage trailer outside of shelter used for food and other supply storage had evidence of rodent nests; A/C outlet in storage trailer did not have face plate. **Needed action:** Gaps and rodent access points need to be sealed to prevent access to storage trailer; provide cover for outlet; open bags of food should be placed in containers to prevent infestation.
- **1.4 (f)**- Surfaces of dog kennel enclosures (both indoor and outdoor portions) are not impervious to moisture; paint chipping off the floors and walls; expansion joints between guillotine doors and other areas of flooring create a space where water and other materials can pool. **Needed action:** Provide plan of correction, including estimated date of completion, to make kennel surfaces impervious to moisture and able to be readily and repeatedly cleaned and disinfected, and remedy pooling area created by missing material between expansion joints.
- **1.5 (e)**- Surfaces of outdoor play area enclosures are not impervious to moisture. **Needed action:** Provide a plan of correction to make outdoor enclosure surfaces impervious to moisture and readily cleanable. The runoff from these enclosures shall be disposed of in accordance with 1.4 (g)
- **1.6 (d)**- During cleaning process in cat room, cat is placed into carrier without adequate cleaning/disinfection of carrier between inhabitants. **Needed action:** Provide plan of correction
- **1.7 (e)**- Food bowls were not being disinfected appropriately; **Needed action:** Food bowls must first be cleaned, then rinsed, followed by disinfection, using a safe and effective disinfectant according to label, followed by a final rinse to remove disinfectant residue. Dawn is used by facility for cleaning, and Rescue used by facility as disinfectant
- **1.8 (c)**- For cat and dog enclosures, cleaning is being performed and disinfectant used, but inadequate primary debris removal and disinfectant contact surface time was reported. **Needed action:** Ensure all primary enclosures are being cleaned with debris removed, followed by disinfection according to product label. Update posted cleaning protocol accordingly.
- **1.9 (b)**- VPH-20 was signed but not posted in an area visible to the public. **Needed action:** Post VPH-20 in an area visible to the public

Notes

- **1.4 (c)**- Inspectors were told that HVAC system has been cleaned and inspected and found to be functioning appropriately, but no documentation was currently available. **Needed action:** Provide documentation of HVAC system cleaning and inspection.

- **1.6 (a)**- At inspection, no household crates were being used to house animals, however household crates had been used previously. New permanent enclosures were ordered for additional housing. **Needed action:** Provide specifications of new enclosures, including interior dimensions.
- **1.6 (h)**- If primary enclosures being purchased are less than double the minimum standard size, please maintain compliance with 1.6 (h)
- **1.9 (d)**- Supervising veterinarian visits facility once weekly. Facility should continue to ensure that veterinary records and veterinary instruction are received and readily available for review by animal caretakers at shelter
- **1.9 (h)**- Inspectors were told that new exhaust systems will be installed to three rooms that can be used as isolation rooms; exhaust will create air movement from isolation area directly outside the premises of the facility. **Needed action:** Please provide estimated timeline for completion.