



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Dog Law Enforcement Office
Kennel Inspection



Kennel STERLING KENNEL 890 OLD POST LANE COLUMBIA CROSS ROADS PA 16914 (607) 302-2827 Business (570) 849-6900 Business Fax				Owner(s)				
Kennel County	BRADFORD (8)			Kennel Township				
License Number	1376			License Year/Class	CK5: 251-500 dogs per year			
Person Interviewed	Diane Prutsman			Title	Kennel Attendant			
Inspection Action	Other		Inspection Date	4/10/2018	Inspected By	Frey , Cory		
Dog Counts								
CurrYr: Boarding	CurrYr: Breeding	CurrYr: Other	CurrYr: Transfer	On Prem	PrevYr: Boarding	PrevYr: Breeding	PrevYr: Other	PrevYr: Transfer
0	12	0	98	26	0	50	0	148
Kennel Regulations								
Inspection Category					Result			
Other					Not Applicable			
455.8 Rabies Vaccination					Satisfactory			
21.42 Bill of Sale					Satisfactory			
21.41b Record on State Forms					Satisfactory			
21.41a Records Kept					Satisfactory			
21.29c Housekeeping/Pests					Unsatisfactory			
21.29b Sanitation					Satisfactory			
21.29a Excreta					Satisfactory			
21.28d Bedding Cleanliness					Not Applicable			
21.28c Food/Water Receptacles					Satisfactory			
21.28b Water					Satisfactory			
21.28a Food					Satisfactory			
21.27 Lighting					Satisfactory			
21.26 Ventilation					Satisfactory			
21.25b Shade					Satisfactory			
21.25a Temperature					Unsatisfactory			
21.24d Flooring-Metal Strand					Not Applicable			
21.24c Chains					Not Applicable			
21.24b Bedding					Unsatisfactory			
21.24a Shelter					Satisfactory			
21.23b Run Dimensions					Satisfactory			
21.23a Run Space					Satisfactory			



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21.22 Segregation	Satisfactory
21.21c Drainage	Satisfactory
21.21b Water Resistance	Satisfactory
21.21a Maintenance	Satisfactory
Kennel Acts	
Inspection Category	Result
402.d Vet Check	No
401c Interference with Officer	No
220 Refusal of Entry	No
214 Health Certificate	Unsatisfactory
210 Bill of Sale	Satisfactory
209a.1.1 Dealing Unlic OOS Dealer	No
207g.2 Smoke Alarm & Fire Extinguishers	Not Applicable
207g.1 Exercise Plan	Not Applicable
207e Display of License, Refusal or Revocation	Satisfactory
207d Tags - RKNH	Not Applicable
207c Records Kept	Satisfactory
207b Maintenance	Unsatisfactory
207a Unlicensed Kennel	No
206a Kennel Closure or Moving	No
Commercial Kennel Acts	
Inspection Category	Result
207I.8 Veterinary Exam Schedule	Satisfactory
207I.7 Rabies Vaccination	Satisfactory
207I.6.xii Exercise Area-Forced Exercise	Not Applicable
207I.6.x.A Exercise Area-Outdoors	Satisfactory
207I.6.ix Exercise Area-Structure and Maintenance	Satisfactory
207I.6.viii Exercise Area-Nursing Dams	Satisfactory
207I.6.vii Exercise Area-Compatibility	Satisfactory
207I.6.vi Exercise Area-Injury	Satisfactory
207I.6.v Exercise Area-Sanitation	Satisfactory
207I.6.iv Exercise Area-Repair and Maintenance	Satisfactory
207I.6.iii Exercise Area-Containment	Satisfactory
207I.6.ii Exercise Area-Size	Satisfactory
207I.6.i Exercise Area-Unfettered Access	Satisfactory
207I.4 Primary Enclosure-Unfettered Access	Satisfactory
207I.3.iii Flooring-Alternate Flooring Standards	Not Applicable



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207I.3.ii Flooring-Construction	Not Applicable
207I.3.i Flooring-Structural Requirements	Satisfactory
207I.2 Primary Enclosure 30" Off Floor	Satisfactory
207I.1 Space-Size of Primary Enclosure	Unsatisfactory
207h.16 Records-Veterinary	Satisfactory
207h.15 Records-Individual Dogs	Satisfactory
207h.14.vii Sanitation Insect and Parasite Control	Satisfactory
207h.14.vi Sanitation Premises	Satisfactory
207h.14.v Sanitation Removing Contaminants	Satisfactory
207h.14.iv Sanitation Methods	Satisfactory
207h.14.iii Sanitation-Two Weeks or Less	Satisfactory
207h.14.ii Sanitation-Prior To Use	Satisfactory
207h.14.i Sanitation-Feces, Waste, etc.	Satisfactory
207h.13 Smoke Alarm & Fire Suppression	Satisfactory
207h.12 Primary Enclosure-Stacking	Not Applicable
207h.11 Sanitation-Dog Removal	Satisfactory
207h.10 Food Contamination	Satisfactory
207h.9 Primary Enclosure-Structural	Satisfactory
207h.8 Lighting Ranges and Cycles	Satisfactory
207h.7 Ventilation Levels	Satisfactory
207h.6 Temperature Extreme 50 and 85	Unsatisfactory
207h.5 Veterinary Program of Care	Satisfactory
207h.4.1 Veterinarian	Satisfactory
207h.4 Housing Limits, Compatible, Segregation	Satisfactory
207h.3 Space-Nursing Dams	Satisfactory
207h.2.xii Space-Height	Unsatisfactory
207h.2.xi Space-Free Movement	Unsatisfactory
207h.2.x Primary Enclosure-Flooring	Satisfactory
207h.2.ix Sanitation	Satisfactory
207h.2.viii Water-Potable Constant	Unsatisfactory
207h.2.vii Space-Shelter All Dogs	Satisfactory
207h.2.vi Primary Enclosure-Shelter Temp & Hazards	Unsatisfactory
207h.2.v Primary Enclosure-Shelter from Elements	Satisfactory
207h.2.iv Primary Enclosure-Restraint Access	Satisfactory
207h.2.iii Primary Enclosure-Containment Height	Satisfactory
207h.2.ii Primary Enclosure-Protect From Injury	Satisfactory
207h.2.i Primary Enclosure-Sharp Edges and Points	Satisfactory



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207h.1 Primary Enclosure-Gen Structure and Repair	Satisfactory
Commercial Kennel Regulations	
Inspection Category	Result
28a.8(5) Flooring	Not Applicable
28a.7 Lighting	Satisfactory
28a.4 Humidity Levels	Unsatisfactory
28a.2.e Ventilation and Circulation	No
28a.2.c Ventilation System Inspected	No
28a.2.b Ventilation System Certified	Yes
Miscellaneous	
Inspection Category	Result
Viewed State Form Exemption Letter	Not Applicable
Viewed Rabies Certification Letter	Not Applicable
Reinspection required	Yes
Remarks	
<p><i>Actions which are directed to be taken are not all that may be required of the kennel operator to come into compliance. The kennel operator is responsible for taking any and all actions necessary to come into compliance.</i></p> <p>The inspection of the kennel took place on April 10, 2018. A total of 24 adult dogs and 2 puppies were located on the premises at the time of inspection. The 2018 kennel license was viewed. The inspection was conducted with SDW Johnson.</p> <p>The inspection of April 10, 2018 is as follows:</p> <p>21.24(b)</p> <p>Wardens observed that the kennel utilized calf hutches as the dogs' primary enclosures. These hutches were outside exposed to the elements. These structures had no bedding material inside of them.</p> <p>This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):</p> <p>Shelter shall be provided for dogs kept outdoors. Sufficient clean bedding material or other means of protection from the weather shall be provided.</p> <p>21.25(a)</p> <p>Wardens observed that most of the dogs were being kept outside in 32-33 degree temperatures with no access to heat or a shelter suitable to preserve their body heat.</p> <p>This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):</p> <p>The kennel temperature shall be maintained at a level to protect the health and comfort of the type of dogs housed.</p> <p>21.29(c)</p> <p>Wardens viewed damaged areas in outside kennel runs exposing material that was unable to be properly sanitized. Wardens also viewed a build-up of cobwebs in one of the primary enclosures.</p> <p>This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):</p> <p>The buildings and grounds of kennels shall be maintained, kept clean and in good repair to protect the animal from injury and to facilitate practices required by this chapter. Kennels shall have an effective program that controls ingress by insects, ectoparasites and avian and mammalian pests. Evidence of insects, ectoparasites and avian and mammalian pests or conditions that would allow or encourage infestation in a kennel are indicative of an ineffective program and unsanitary environmental sanitation in the kennel.</p> <p>207(b)</p> <p>Wardens viewed lack of bedding material, dogs kept in insufficient temperatures with lack of bedding material, damaged kennel structures, and accumulation of cobwebs in the kennel facilities,</p> <p>This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):</p> <p>All kennels shall be maintained in a sanitary and humane condition in accordance with standards and sanitary codes promulgated by the secretary through regulations.</p>	



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Act 214

Wardens viewed that a dog was transferred into the Commonwealth without a valid health certificate.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

It shall be a violation of this act to transport any dog into this Commonwealth except under the provisions in section 212 without [FN1] a certificate of health prepared by a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine, which certificate, or copy of such, shall accompany the dog while in this Commonwealth. The certificate shall state that the dog is at least eight weeks of age and shows no signs or symptoms of infectious or communicable disease; did not originate within an area under quarantine for rabies; and, as ascertained by reasonable investigation, has not been exposed to rabies within 100 days of importation. All dogs must have been vaccinated for rabies in accordance with the act of December 15, 1986 (P.L. 1610, No. 181), [FN2] known as the "Rabies Prevention and Control in Domestic Animals and Wildlife Act." The name of the vaccine manufacturer, the date of administration, and the rabies tag number must appear on health certificates prepared by a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine.

207(h)(2)(vi)

Wardens viewed that some dogs only had access to hutches that did not have heat nor bedding to help preserve the dogs body heat.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s)
Provide shelter and protection from temperatures and weather conditions that may be uncomfortable or hazardous to any dog.

Act 207(h)(2)(viii)

Wardens viewed that the majority of the dogs at the kennel did not have constant access to potable water.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

Provide potable water at all times, unless otherwise directed by a veterinarian in a writing that shall be kept in the kennel records.

Act 207(h)(2)(xi)

Wardens viewed primary enclosures that housed dogs that would not allow each dogs to lie down stretched out and not touch the sides of the enclosure.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

Provide space to allow each dog to turn about freely and to stand, sit and lie in a normal position. The dog must be able to lie down while fully extended without the dog's head, tail, legs, face or feet touching any side of the enclosure.

Act 207(h)(2)(xii)

Wardens viewed primary enclosures that did not have an interior height that was six inches higher than the dogs head while in a normal sitting position.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

The interior height of a primary enclosure shall be at least six inches higher than the head of the tallest dog in the enclosure when it is in a normal standing position.

Act 207(h)(6)

Wardens viewed data logs showing extended periods of time where the kennels temperature was under 50 degrees.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

Housing facilities for dogs must be sufficiently heated and cooled to protect the dogs from temperature or humidity extremes and to provide for their health and well-being. If dogs are present, the ambient temperature in the facility must not fall below 50 degrees F. The ambient temperature must not rise above 85 degrees F when dogs are present, unless the requirements of paragraph (7) are met.

Act 207(i)(1)

Wardens viewed primary enclosures that did not have the square footage necessary to house the dogs enclosed in them.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

A dog housed in a primary enclosure must be provided a minimum amount of floor space in the primary enclosure, calculated as provided under this subparagraph: Find the mathematical square of the sum of the length of the dog in inches, measured in a straight line from the tip of its nose to the base of its tail, plus six inches, then divide the product by 144, then multiply by 2. The calculation is: (length of dog in inches + 6)(length of dog in inches + 6) = required floor space in square inches. Required floor space in inches/144 x 2 = required floor space in square feet. For the second dog placed in the primary enclosure the minimum floor space shall be doubled. The floor space shall be calculated using the longest dog. For each dog above two, the minimum floor space shall be multiplied by 1.5 per additional dog.

28a.2.c

Wardens were unable to inspect the ventilation systems as not all aspects of the system were in operation.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

- (1) Inspection. A State dog warden or other employee of the Department inspecting the kennel will at a minimum assure that:
- (i) The mechanical ventilation system is functional, operational and in operation.



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(ii) The auxiliary ventilation system is available, functional and operational and, where the temperature in the kennel exceeds 85° Fahrenheit, that the auxiliary ventilation system is in operation.

(iii) The humidity control system is available, functional and operational and operating or operated in a manner that meets the standards and requirements of § 28a.4.

(2) Assurance of compliance. A State dog warden or other employee of the Department inspecting the kennel may take ventilation, temperature, humidity and ammonia level readings and measurements to assure compliance with this chapter.

28a.2.e

Wardens viewed that the circulation fans and fresh air circulation fans in the building were not in operation.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

Ventilation and circulation. Kennels and housing facilities where a dog is housed, kept or present, including primary enclosures, shall be equipped with mechanical ventilation equipment that physically moves air and can provide ventilation, fresh air ventilation, circulation, heating, dehumidification and filtration meeting the standards of this chapter. This equipment includes: air handlers, roof top units, dehumidifiers, furnaces, unit heaters and heat pumps.

28a.4

Wardens viewed on the data logs that there were many extended periods of time where the kennels humidity levels were below 30%.

This warden directs the kennel owner to take the following action(s):

(a) General standards. A kennel and kennel housing facility, where a dog is housed, kept or present, including primary enclosures must meet the following humidity levels:

(1) Temperatures below 85° Fahrenheit. When temperatures in the kennel or kennel housing facility, where any dog is housed, kept or present, including primary enclosures, are below 85° Fahrenheit, relative humidity levels shall be kept between 30% and 70%.

(2) Temperatures above 85° Fahrenheit. When temperatures, in any part of the kennel or kennel housing facility, where a dog is housed, kept or present, including primary enclosures, rise above 85° Fahrenheit, the relative humidity level shall be reduced to a level that will accomplish a Heat Index value of 85 or lower.

(3) Four-hour window. Once the temperature in any part of the kennel or kennel housing facility, where a dog is housed, kept or present, exceeds 85° Fahrenheit, the kennel owner shall have 4 hours to accomplish and maintain a Heat Index of 85 HI or lower, as required under paragraph (2). At no time during that 4-hour time period or at any other time shall the Heat Index value ever exceed 90 HI in any area, room or part of the kennel or housing facility, where a dog is housed kept or present, including primary enclosures. If within 4 hours, the kennel owner is unable to accomplish and maintain a Heat Index of 85 HI or lower, the kennel owner shall immediately notify the kennel's veterinarian and consult on the steps to be taken to protect the health and well being of the dogs, as well as contemporaneously keep the records required under § 28a.2(g)(2)(ii)-(iii) (relating to ventilation). If such a failure to accomplish and maintain a Heat Index of 85 HI or lower exceeds 24 hours, the kennel owner shall contact the Department in the manner prescribed and provide it with the information required under § 28a.2(g)(3) and (4).

(4) Calculation of HI.

(i) The tool that shall be utilized to determine the HI value and thereby the proper humidity levels when temperatures rise above 85° Fahrenheit shall be the Temperature and Humidity Index of the National Weather Service or its successor standard. This is also available at the National Weather Service web site at <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/> and then search HI; the HI Calculator is located at <http://www.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/html/heatindex.shtml>.

(ii) A chart setting forth the Heat Index values is set forth in Appendix A. (Examples of the Heat Index values are: 86° Fahrenheit and 40% humidity = HI of 85° Fahrenheit; and 90° Fahrenheit and 20% humidity = HI of 86° Fahrenheit.)

(5) Condensation. Humidity levels, other than during times of cleaning and sanitizing, may not rise to the level where condensation occurs in any area of the kennel, kennel housing facility or primary enclosures where a dog is housed, kept or present.

(b) Measurement and control standards.

(1) Temperature and humidity levels shall be measured in each area or room within the kennel and housing facility where a dog is housed, kept or present and shall be measured and recorded by either a humidity gauge and a temperature gauge or by a thermo-hygrometer, which shall be installed in each room of the kennel and housing facility in which a dog is housed, kept or present.

(2) The measuring devices will be provided by and be the property of the Department and meet the following minimum standards:

(i) The device will not require hard wiring, and may be operated by batteries.

(ii) The device will store temperature and humidity data on an hourly basis and for a time period of at least 6 months.

(iii) The device will be rated as accurate to within 1° Fahrenheit.

(iv) The device will be rated as accurate to within plus or minus 2% relative humidity from 10% to 90% relative humidity.

(3) Evidence of humidity control devices shall be either dedicated dehumidifiers in each room and area of the kennel and housing facility in which a dog is housed, kept or present or may be air conditioning equipment. The equipment utilized must have documented dehumidification capability.

(4) If air conditioning is utilized, the cooling capacity shall be at least 35 Btu/hr per square foot (1 ton of cooling for every 350 square feet) of animal area as demonstrated by nameplate cooling capability on the cooling equipment.

(5) The humidity gauge and temperature gauge or thermo-hygrometer installed and provided by the Department may not be tampered with, destroyed, incapacitated, reset or disturbed, including downloading of data, by any person other than a State dog warden or an authorized employee of the Department.

(6) If such a device is tampered with, destroyed, incapacitated, reset or disturbed, it shall be the responsibility of the kennel owner to notify the Department within 24 hours on normal business days and by 9:00 a.m. of the next Department business day if the occurrence is on a weekend or holiday.

(7) The Department will remove and have the device checked for proper calibration and accuracy according to manufacturer specifications. The Department will replace any removed device with an accurate and properly calibrated humidity and temperature gauge or thermo-hygrometer.

(8) Data taken from these devices may not be used as the sole basis for a civil penalty or criminal penalty under section 903(a) or (b) of the act (3 P. S. § 459-903 (a) and (b)) for violation of this section.

**A follow-up inspection will take place at a later date and time.