



Inspection Report

R M R S MANUFACTURING & DISTRIBUTING INC
2408 WARDS RD
LYNCHBURG, VA 24502

Customer ID: **329984**

Certificate: **52-B-0165**

Site: 001

R M R S MANUFACTURING &
DISTRIBUTING INC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 25-JAN-2023

3.6(c)(1)(i)

Primary enclosures.

Two puppies, housed in individual enclosures within the nursery, are not being provided the minimum floor space as required by the Animal Welfare Act.

Two female golden retriever puppies (ID#s 7539 and 7540) are each housed in a medium sized enclosure which measures 20.5 inches by 26 inches (533 square inches). Both puppies measured 20.5 inches in length, requiring 702.25 sq. inches of space ($20.5'' + 6'' = (26.5 \text{ in})^2 = 702.25 \text{ in}^2$) but only provided 533 sq. inches.

Failing to provide adequate space can cause discomfort, crowding, poor sanitation, increased incidence of illness, and lead to developmental abnormalities especially in larger breed dogs.

Correct by January 26, 2023 by ensuring that all dogs are provided with at least the minimum space required by the Animal Welfare Act. The facility took measures to correct the noncompliance during the inspection.

3.6(c)(1)(iii)

Primary enclosures.

A male Pomeranian/Klee Kai puppy housed in a temporary enclosure on the sales floor is not being provided the minimum interior height as required by the Animal Welfare Act.

The puppy (ID# 3711) has only 3-4 inches of clearance between the top of his head and the top of the enclosure when

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sitting/standing. All dogs require a minimum of 6 inches of clearance above the top of their heads.

Failing to provide adequate head space in a primary enclosure prevents normal postural adjustments, including stretching the neck up and can lead to discomfort and potential developmental abnormalities.

Correct by January 26, 2023 by ensuring that all dogs are provided with at least the minimum space required by the Animal Welfare Act. The facility took measures to correct the noncompliance during the inspection.

The inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

Additional Inspectors:

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000051	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG PUPPY
000007	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000001	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA
000014	<i>Octodon degus</i>	DEGU
000002	<i>Petaurus breviceps</i>	SUGAR GLIDER
000009	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG
000001	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000029	<i>Mesocricetus auratus</i>	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER
000019	<i>Meriones unguiculatus</i>	MONGOLIAN GERBIL
000012	<i>Phodopus roborovskii</i>	ROBOROVSKI'S DWARF HAMSTER
000019	<i>Cricetulus barabensis</i>	STRIPED HAMSTER
000164	Total	