

July 21, 2015

Re: Agency Assist

Becher/Nichols

Narrative:

On July 20, 2015 I was requested to assist Animal Control on a possible puppy mill in Clayton Twp. I arrived with Animal Control officer Missy Miller. This location has several adult German Shorthair pointers. They are used for breeding and sale. Several of the dogs are kept in rabbit type hutches. These are located throughout the property. Upon inspection it was noted that several animals were standing in feces, food and water was present for several of the animals. 3 Pointers were at the immediate rear of the home with only 1 dog house for all 3. Following a driveway going east from the first dogs there were several female pointers which appeared to have injuries to the legs possible from the cages which were used to house them. These animals were in feces which appeared to be there for a period of time. Walking east on the driveway again we found several pointers kept in cages again being the rabbit hutch type cages which upon inspection I could not see any way that they could be properly sanitized and cleaned. There was no evidence of any type of watering system and the weeds and grass was so high that they covered the rabbit hutches. In these cages I noticed that all had plastic type barrels used as shelter for the animals without any type of bedding. Water was provided for all animals.

As of this type of housing and kennels used to keep these animals, I would not recommend this person be allowed a kennel license, until the animals have proper housing and kennels.

Violations:

1. Unsanitary conditions for animals, animals standing and walking in feces.
2. Improper kennels used, not being able to properly sanitize.
3. Debris and weed, grass completely covering the kennels used.
4. Injury to animals possibly caused by the type of kennels used
5. Improper housing

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