

**9100.0300 HOUSING FACILITIES.**

Subpart 1. **Cleaning and disinfecting.** Housing facilities must be cleaned and disinfected as often as it is necessary to maintain a clean and sanitary condition at all times.

Subp. 2. **Drainage.** A suitable method must be provided to rapidly eliminate excess water from indoor housing facilities. Drains must be so constructed and maintained in good repair to avoid foul odors from them. If closed drainage systems are used, they must be equipped with traps and so installed as to prevent any backup of sewage and other waste materials onto the floors of the facilities.

Subp. 3. **Heating.** Indoor housing facilities for animals must be sufficiently heated when necessary to protect the animals from cold and to provide for their health and comfort. The ambient temperature must not be allowed to fall below 50 degrees Fahrenheit for animals not acclimated to lower temperatures.

Subp. 4. **Interior surfaces.** The surfaces of indoor housing facilities with which animals come into contact must be so constructed and maintained that they are substantially impervious to moisture and may be readily sanitized.

Subp. 5. **Lighting.** Indoor housing facilities for animals must have ample light, by natural or artificial means, or both, of sufficient intensity and uniform distribution to permit routine inspection and cleaning.

Subp. 6. **Outdoor housing facilities.** Outdoor housing facilities must provide adequate shelter to properly protect animals from sun, rain, snow, and other weather elements and must provide adequate bedding, water, and food.

Subp. 7. **Structural strength.** Housing facilities for animals must be structurally sound and kept in good repair. The facilities must be designed and built so as to protect the animals from injury, to contain the animals, and to restrict the entrance of other animals.

Subp. 8. **Ventilation.** Indoor housing facilities for animals must be adequately ventilated to prevent the collection of offensive odors and to provide for the health and comfort of animals at all times. The facilities must be provided with fresh air either by means of windows, vents, or air conditioning and must be ventilated so as to minimize drafts, odors, and moisture condensation. Auxiliary ventilation, such as exhaust fans and vents or air conditioning, must be provided when the ambient temperature is 85 degrees Fahrenheit or higher.

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