

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Kansas Department of Agriculture—Division of Animal Health

Article 18.—Animal Facility Inspection Program—License and Registration Fees

9-18-22. Exercise.

(a) Each licensee shall develop, document, and follow a plan to provide dogs over 12 weeks of age, except bitches with litters, with the opportunity for exercise. The plan shall include written standard procedures. Forced exercise devices shall be strictly prohibited. If a dog is without sensory contact with another dog, the dog shall be provided with positive physical contact with humans at least daily. The opportunity for exercise may be provided in a number of ways, which may include the following:

(1) Providing group housing in cages, pens, or runs that provide at least 100 percent of the required space for each dog under the minimum floor space requirements of K.A.R. 9-18-13;

(2) maintaining individually housed dogs in cages, pens, or runs that provide at least twice the minimum floor space required by K.A.R. 9-18-13; and

(3) providing access to a run or open area at the frequency and duration prescribed by the attending veterinarian.

(b) If, in the opinion of the attending veterinarian, it is inappropriate for a dog to exercise because of the dog's health, condition, or well-being, the attending veterinarian shall document this exemption in writing. The licensee shall make this documentation available to the commissioner or the commissioner's representatives upon request.

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