## CORRECTION DATE

A correction date is the time period in which a noncompliant item must be corrected.

## A correction date should be:

- realistic as to what the facility can accomplish, and
- appropriate to the severity of the NCI
- determined with the concurrence of the licensee or responsible person, if appropriate

## A correction date is given for:

- newly identified "Direct" NCIs (see Indirect & Direct Noncompliant Items-Section 7.6) These should be given a short correction period, e.g., immediately, by close of business on (*date*), within 72 hours. A short correction period should not exceed 10 days.
  - NOTE: Reinspection for correction of a "D" noncompliant item must occur no more than 45 days after the correction date.
- newly identified "Indirect" NCIs Field inspectors may allow up to 1 year for a correction.

## A correction date is **NOT** given for:

- an NCI corrected during the inspection The inspector may decide, using his/her own discretion, whether or not to cite the NCI. If cited, put "Corrected during the inspection."
  Documenting this NCI may be necessary to show the facility's history of compliance.
- Category IV noncompliant items
- NCIs identified on a prelicense inspection
- transportation violations identified while the animal is in transit

A Category II NCI's correction date should be transferred from the previous inspection report or the extension approval letter. For example, "Pending correction date is (month/day/year)" or "Extension granted until (month/day/year)".

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