INDIRECT & DIRECT NONCOMPLIANT ITEMS

A noncompliant item documented on the inspection report must be determined by the inspector to be either "Indirect" or "Direct".

Indirect Noncompliance

An "Indirect" noncompliant item does NOT have a high potential to adversely affect the health and well-being of the animal. This NCI should be followed up as part of the next routine complete inspection.

No special designation for an indirect NCI is required on the inspection report.

Examples of "Indirect" NCIs include, but are not limited to:

- surfaces not impervious to moisture
- inadequate records
- holding period violation

Direct Noncompliance

A "Direct" noncompliant item has a high potential to adversely affect the health and well-being of the animal. A complete or partial reinspection of a facility with a "Direct" NCI **must** be completed no more than 45 days after the correction date.

A "Direct" NCI should be identified with a "**D**" in the left hand margin of the inspection report for all Categories of noncompliances.

Examples of "Direct" NCIs include, but are not limited to:

- animals in need of urgent veterinary care, e.g.
 - excessive (frequent and voluminous) diarrhea and/or vomiting
 - bloody (red, dark, and/or tarry) diarrhea and/or vomiting
 - infestation with large numbers of ticks, fleas or other parasites
 - excessively thin
 - severe injuries or wounds

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- moribund recumbent, labored breathing, little response to stimuli, etc.
- inadequate feed and water
- excessive accumulations of fecal or other waste material to the point where odors, disease hazards, or pest control problems exist
- animals that are heavily soiled from a buildup of fecal material
- heavy vermin infestation in storage or feeding areas
- contaminated feed
- primary enclosures and/or housing facility in severe structural disrepair
- inadequate ventilation that threatens the animal's health and well-being
- incompatible animals
- grossly inadequate space
- inappropriate handling
- lack of adequate shelter for weather or temperature extremes

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