

2.2 remove grossly visible debris (feces, spilled food, hair, etc.)

a. items that are not attached to the primary enclosure should be removed and cleaned separately and soaked in water/detergent mixture.

b. clean from top to bottom

c. thoroughly rinse cleaned area and allow to completely dry.

2.4 select and apply an appropriate disinfectant. Allow for proper contact time according to label instructions.

a. if not explicitly stated on the label, assume a minimum of 10 minutes.

b. thoroughly rinse residual disinfectant and allow to completely dry.

3. Options for Disinfectants of Primary Enclosures

3.1 bleach 1:32 (1/2 cup to 1 gallon of water)

a. in times of disease outbreak such as Parvovirus, Ringworm, or Feline upper Respiratory infection, ratio can be increased to 1:10 (1.5 cups to 1 gallon of water) for a limited time only.

3.2 oxidizing agents) hydrogen peroxide, accelerated hydrogen peroxide)

3.3 Quaternary Ammonium Compounds (Roccal, DiQuat, Etc) is best used as a detergent.

4. Order a Cleaning Schedule

4.1 healthy lactating dams/queens and puppies

4.2 healthy adult animals

4.3 unhealthy and medically managed animals

Veterinarian Initials ORA

ISLATION ROOM:

1. Veterinary Examination and Treatment

Animals placed in the isolation room will be evaluated and treated by a veterinarian within 24 hours of entering the isolation room. The animal care attendant will be instructed by the veterinarian on the proper care of the medically managed animal.

2. Management of the Isolation Room

2.1 The isolation room will have a dedicated supply of cleaning items (such as mops, brooms, cleaning solution bottles, paper towels, etc.) and animal care items (bedding, food, and water)

A. items used in the isolation room will not be removed for the use in other areas of the shelter.

2.2 The isolation will not be used to store extra animal care supplies, cleaning supplies, ground maintenance equipment or other supplies used to maintain or operate the shelter.

2.3 Animal care personnel will don disposable gloves, shoe covering, and gown over clothes, prior to entering the isolation room and while caring for animal housed in this room. Gloves, shoe coverings, and gown will be removed upon exiting the isolation room.

2.4 All trash and waste will be collected and tied in plastic bags. This will not be carried through the area of general population.

2.5 When possible, an entrance/exit to the isolation will allow for animals to be taken in/out without entering common areas of the shelter and the kennel are for general population. If this is not possible, a plan is established to minimize traffic and exposure to other animals.

CLEANING AND DISENFECTION PROCEDURES FOR ALL ENCLOSURES (GENERAL POPULATION AND ISOLATION)

1. Cleaning and Disinfection of all Primary Enclosures, General Considerations

1.1 Personal protective gear such as gloves, eye protection, and shoe covers should be worn by animal care attendants during the cleaning process.

1.2 The animal(s) will be removed from its primary enclosure during the cleaning process and not returned to the primary enclosure until it is completely dried.

1.3 All areas of the primary enclosure will be thoroughly cleaned a minimum of once daily.

a. Areas include (but not limited too) walls, floor, ceiling, doors, food and water bowels, toys, and enrichment items and litter boxes.

b. bulk of solid waste (spilled food, waste, feces etc.) will be removed prior to application of cleaning solution.

2. Procedure for Cleaning and disinfection of All Enclosures

2.1 Remove animals from primary enclosure and move to secure enclosure.

Richmond County Animal Shelter

Animal Shelter Protocol

OVERVIEW: This protocol shall be followed in order to identify and properly care for animals showing signs of infectious/contagious disease while controlling the transmission of disease to other animals in the shelter. This protocol is required by;

2VAC5/111/30 PROVISIONS OF VETERINARY TREATMENT

Each facility shall engage a licensed veterinarian to develop or ratify a protocol for the control of infectious and contagious disease and shall adhere to such protocol. Each facility shall provide a marked isolation room for the confinement of animals suffering from a contagious or infectious disease.

Veterinarian Printed Name: Daniel Armstrong Date: 1/10/24

Veterinarian Signature: 

ANIMAL INTAKE

1. Intake exam

Upon arrival at the animal shelter, each animal, will be examined for any signs of illness or injury, and the result will be documented on the attached Animal Shelter Intake Form.

1.1 Any animal showing signs of potentially infectious/contagious disease will be immediately housed individually (unless nursing neonates with mother) in a thoroughly clean, disinfected, and dry enclosure in the marked isolation room.

1.2 Any animal not showing any signs of potentially infectious/contagious disease will be housed individually (unless nursing neonates with mother or animal arriving with and already accustomed to cohabitation with another specific animal) in a thoroughly clean, disinfected and dry enclosure in the appropriate general housing area.

1.3 signs of potentially infectious/contagious disease include, but are not limited to: vomiting, diarrhea, coughing, sneezing, discharge from eyes, ears, nose or mouth, hair loss and itchiness.

2. Animal Monitoring

2.1 Animals will be monitored daily for attitude, appetite, urination, defecation, and any signs of illness or abnormality. Observations will be recorded for each animal on the attached Animal Monitoring Log and maintained on or near the animal's primary enclosure.

2.2 Any animal presenting signs of infectious/contagious illness at any time during its confinement in the shelter will be immediately placed in the isolation room. All animals in the isolation room will be individually housed for the entire duration of confinement in the isolation room (unless nursing neonates with mother)