

# Canine Enrichment



## ENVIRONMENTAL ENRICHMENT

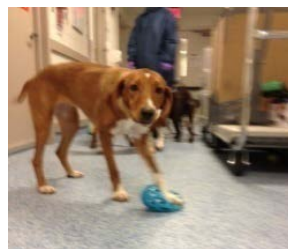
**Housing/Environment:** Modulated, elevated housing on slotted flooring, with stainless steel dividers (Pen Size: 15 sq. ft.)

**Structural Enrichment:** Dogs are provided with beds that are elevated from the cage flooring

**Sensory:** Human/Animal : Human/Animal Socialization interaction during cage cleaning should be purposeful and consist of positive interactions: petting and soft spoken affirmative words.

**Manipulanda:** Several items are provided as the standard for manipulanda. Standard items (pictured), Others provided on rotation

**Nutritional:** Aside from standard feed (Purina High Density Canine Diet ), the following nutritional enrichment may be provided during human animal interaction; canned dog food or commercially available dog treats



## SOCIAL HOUSING

Animals should be procured in pairs or groups intended to be housed together in compatible groups or pairs as a standard within the guidelines for space in standard CCM cages

## EXERCISE

For this species, exercise is offered daily during weekdays for periods of no less than 30 minutes. Exercise will be conducted individually or in compatible groups or pairs in the room corridor or facility hallway, combined with human-animal interaction, and monitored by, with personnel.



## Housing Standards

**Enrichment Rotation:** Schedule is maintained by the facility and includes a combination of enrichment and destructible items, human/animal socialization and exercise

**Canine "Herding":** Positive reinforcement training is applied to encourage cooperative transfer of dogs, within their social housing groups, returning to home cage after exercise

**According to the Enhancement Policy; No animal is exempt from all forms of environmental enrichment and any exemptions to social housing or exercise should be considered for only the minimal amount of time or restriction necessary.**

**Modifications to this SOP must be approved by the CCM Enrichment Program Manager following the criteria of the exemption plan**

**If Enrichment used is out side of the standard, contact CCM Enrichment Personnel.**