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## Ronnie Williams pleads guilty in greyhound abuse case

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NEWS HERALD STAFF REPORT

CHIPLEY — Ronnie Williams has pleaded guilty to 42 counts of animal cruelty and was sentenced to five years for each count.

The sentence will be served concurrently.

While following up on a complaint, inspectors with the Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Washington County Sheriff's Office discovered 32 dead dogs in Williams' kennel last year. An additional five were taken from the kennel alive but extremely underweight and three had duct tape wrapped around their necks, authorities reported. Necropsy exams on the dead dogs revealed they died from starvation and dehydration.

*Check back later for more details from the sentencing*