



Inspection Report

Keepers of the Wild Inc.
13441 E. Hwy 66
Valentine, AZ 86437

Customer ID: **3460**
Certificate: **86-C-0076**
Site: 002

Keepers of the Wild, Inc.

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 03-SEP-2025

2.1(b)(2)(ii)

Requirements and application

The licensee is exhibiting 2 spider monkeys (Group 6 brachiating non-human primates). However, the licensee does not have a license authorizing the use of Group 6 non-human primates. Failure to obtain a license for special group animals could negatively impact the welfare of the exhibited animals and the safety of the general public.

Licenses authorize a specific number and specific type(s) of animals for use in regulated activity (i.e., exhibiting). A USDA license must specifically authorize the use of Group 6 non-human primates, which includes brachiating species of non-human primates. The licensee must remove the Group 6 non-human primates from exhibition, until a new license is obtained which authorizes the use of Group 6 non-human primates.

To be corrected from this date of 04 September 2025 forward.

2.40(b)(3)

Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care (dealers and exhibitors).

The attending veterinarian was not notified of new hair mats on "Annabelle" an approximately 15-year-old bobcat. The inspector observed fist-sized hair mats affecting the dorsal coat and stringy hair clumps on the underbelly of Annabelle during inspection. The facility representative confirmed that they had not spoken with the attending veterinarian specifically about this condition in Annabelle. The attending veterinarian is generally aware of this type of condition that has historically affected the bobcats at this facility, but had not been made aware of Annabelle's current condition. There is no protocol in the program of veterinary care on how to address hair matting in bobcats at the facility. Failure to have a mechanism of direct and frequent communication on problems of animal health to the attending veterinarian may result in delayed treatment and/or prolonged discomfort in the animal.

The licensee must convey changes in the health and well-being of animals to the attending veterinarian in a timely manner to allow for adequate veterinary care.

To be corrected by 05 September 2025.

2.50(c)

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Time and method of identification.

The licensee elects to identify the 10 wolf-dog hybrids with microchips but does not have a microchip reader on hand. Not having a microchip reader or other acceptable means of identification does not allow the licensee or inspector to accurately identify the animals; a necessity for carrying out proper husbandry and official APHIS duties.

A class "C" exhibitor shall identify all live dogs and cats under his or her control or on his or her premises, whether held, purchased, or otherwise acquired. This can be accomplished by an official USDA sequentially numbered tag that is kept on the door of the animal's cage or run, or by microchip with a microchip reader on hand. Dogs used for exhibition must also have a record or documentation which includes the tag number or microchip, a written description of the animal and photograph.

To be corrected by 26 September 2025.

3.127(d)

Facilities, outdoor.

There is a 6-inch gap under the south access gate of the perimeter fence that faces the main highway. The length of this perimeter fence is used as miscellaneous storage on the interior portion of the facility. A trailer taller than the perimeter fence is stored next to the fence and has smaller vehicles stored around it that may act as climbable structures for loose animals to escape from the facility. Failure to maintain a perimeter fence may result in the escape of loose animals or bodily injury to animals by persons or animals that can breach the perimeter fence.

All outdoor housing facilities must be enclosed by a perimeter fence that is of sufficient height (8 feet for current animals on inventory) to keep animals and unauthorized persons out. The fence must be constructed so that it protects the animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from going through it or under it and having contact with the animals in the facility, and so that it can function as a secondary containment system for the animals in the facility.

To be corrected by 01 October 2025.

3.154(c)(2)

Environment enhancement to promote psychological well-being.

A bird showing signs of being in psychological distress through behavior or appearance did not have a written special considerations section in the avian environment enhancement plan. An eclectus parrot named "Shelby" was observed to have feather loss and mild scabbing on her upper back. The facility representative stated the animal was under veterinary care, which included a diet change approved by the attending veterinarian, increased enrichment and a change in housing. The attending veterinarian attributed the feather picking to be behavior in origin. Failure to document the special attention protocol for birds showing signs of psychological distress may result in inadequate care and limited resolution of the condition.

The licensee must include in the avian environmental enhancement plan considerations for birds that need special attention such as those that show signs of psychological distress through behavior and appearance.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Sapajus appella</i>	BROWN CAPUCHIN / TUFTED CAPUCHIN
000001	<i>Cebus capucinus</i>	WHITE-HEADED / WHITE-THROATED CAPUCHIN
000002	<i>Macaca arctoides</i>	STUMP-TAILED MACAQUE
000001	<i>Macaca nemestrina</i>	PIG-TAILED MACAQUE
000004	<i>Macaca radiata</i>	BONNET MACAQUE
000007	<i>Canis latrans</i>	COYOTE
000001	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION
000003	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000008	<i>Lynx rufus</i>	BOBCAT
000011	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	TIGER
000003	<i>Dama dama</i>	FALLOW DEER
000007	<i>Odocoileus hemionus</i>	MULE DEER
000001	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA
000005	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000003	<i>Procyon lotor</i>	RACCOON
000001	<i>Ursus arctos horribilis</i>	GRIZZLY BEAR
000002	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000011	<i>Ursus americanus</i>	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000001	<i>Camelus bactrianus</i>	BACTRIAN CAMEL
000003	<i>Canis lupus hallstromi</i>	NEW GUINEA SINGING DOG
000002	<i>Pecari tajacu</i>	COLLARED PECCARY
000003	<i>Cervus nippon</i>	SIKA DEER
000001	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	LEOPARD
000011	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000002	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>	BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG
000001	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>	STRIPED SKUNK
000002	<i>Ateles geoffroyi</i>	BLACK-HANDED SPIDER MONKEY
000002	<i>Nasua narica</i>	WHITE-NOSED COATI
000001	<i>Genetta genetta</i>	SMALL SPOTTED GENET
000010	<i>Canis lupus X C. familiaris</i>	WOLF/DOG HYBRID
000002	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON
000002	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000001	<i>Tyto alba</i>	BARN OWL / WESTERN BARN OWL / AMERICAN BARN OWL / EASTERN BARN OWL
000004	<i>Corvus corax</i>	COMMON RAVEN
000003	<i>Psittacus erithacus</i>	CONGO AFRICAN GREY PARROT / GRAY PARROT
000001	<i>Eclectus roratus</i>	ECLECTUS PARROT
000009	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	EMU
000001	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	GREAT HORNED OWL
000001	<i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>	HARRIS'S HAWK
000001	<i>Buteo swainsoni</i>	SWAINSON'S HAWK
000002	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	TURKEY VULTURE
000001	<i>Cacatua alba</i>	WHITE COCKATOO / UMBRELLA COCKATOO
000002	<i>Canis lupus</i>	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000001	<i>Papio anubis</i>	OLIVE BABOON
000143	Total	



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