



## Inspection Report

Three Monkeys Photo Emporium  
1251 Unbridled Way  
Sevierville, TN 37876

Customer ID: **6013541**

Certificate: **63-C-0301**

Site: 001

Three Monkeys Photo Emporium

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 26-JUL-2023

### 2.131(c)(1)

#### Handling of animals.

\*\*\*USDA observed photo shoots using 4 capuchin monkeys. During the photo shoots the customers are required to stand or sit crossing their arms in a manner that will create a surface where the capuchins can sit. The customers are then asked to not grab or hold on to the capuchins. The capuchins are wearing tethers that are approximately 5 to 6 feet in length and joined together with a clamp at the end where the licensee can hold on to the tethers. Once the capuchins are placed on the customers the licensee backs away from the customers and capuchins to allow the photos to be taken. USDA observed the capuchins climbing on the customers shoulders and heads, pulling or playing with the customers hair, one gentleman's beard, and another one's hat. USDA observed one primate cross over from one customer to another while the licensee was holding the tether when backed away from the customers for the picture.

At all times the licensee held on to four tethers to manage the capuchins while a second employee took the pictures. With the capuchins making direct contact with the customers and allowed to freely interact with the customers there is insufficient direct control of the capuchins and no barriers to assure the safety of the animals as well as the public.

During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public to assure the safety of animals and the public.

Correct by August 28, 2023.

### 3.128

#### Space requirements.

\*\*\*USDA observed the enclosure for two Asian small clawed otters. There was no pool present in the enclosure. The otters are taken home overnight and returned to the facility during open hours. The licensee stated they had arrived at the facility late and did not have time to put the pool in the enclosure before beginning public exhibition. USDA observed one of the otters exhibiting the stereotypic behavior of pacing back and forth along the wall and throwing their head back (a flip or head toss) to turn when they approached the enclosure wall. Shortly after leaving the facility the licensee sent a picture showing a small pool had been placed in the enclosure and although the pool was not large enough to allow full swimming the otters were playing in it.

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The enclosure for the animals shall be appropriately constructed and maintained to allow the species held within to make normal postural and social adjustments with adequate freedom of movement. Inadequate space may be indicated by evidence of malnutrition, poor condition, debility, stress, or abnormal behavior patterns.

A pool shall be provided at all times to allow the otters to make all normal postural adjustments and express their normal behaviors.

Corrected by end of inspection.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the Licensee.

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
6013541	63-C-0301	001	Three Monkeys Photo Emporium	26-JUL-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000003	<i>Cebus capucinus</i>	WHITE-HEADED / WHITE-THROATED CAPUCHIN
000001	<i>Sapajus appella</i>	BROWN CAPUCHIN / TUFTED CAPUCHIN
000002	<i>Aonyx cinereus</i>	ORIENTAL SMALL-CLAWED OTTER
000006	<b>Total</b>	