



## Inspection Report

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JAMES SVOBODA  
1220 N KOBS RD  
TAWAS CITY, MI 48763

Customer ID: **10779**  
Certificate: **34-C-0166**  
Site: 001  
JAMES SVOBODA

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 21-JUL-2021

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**2.40(b)(2)**                      **Direct**                      **Repeat**

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

The wound above the brown bears left eye has increased in size and depth and compromises the entire forehead area above the left eye of the bear. The wound has a necrotic center, is ulcerated and is hairless. There is significant swelling around the wound.

The adult bobcat is obese, and has a matted haircoat down the neck and back. The bobcat is still walking very slowly, gently, and stiff legged.

The nine-year-old male lion known as Damba is very thin with prominent vertebral bodies. According to the licensee this lion was last dewormed one month ago with ivermectin. The licensee did not know when a fecal examination was last done for this lion. The lion has not been seen by the attending veterinarian for his thin body condition.

Each exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of veterinary care that include the use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat disease and injuries.

A veterinarian must diagnose and recommend treatment for the bear to prevent unrelieved suffering and pain. The

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matting of hair on the bobcat must be removed to prevent pain and possible irritation/infection of the underlying skin. Failure to have this lion evaluated and treated for its condition can lead to it worsening and causing the animal to suffer. This animal needs to be evaluated by the attending veterinarian for this thin body condition.

### 2.40(b)(3)

Direct

Repeat

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

The licensee noted a small growth on the adult, male brown bear in October, 2020. The licensee did not contact a veterinarian for diagnosis and treatment for the bear. The growth grew larger and the licensee's wife stated that the bear tore the growth off with its paw. This created a 4-5" wound that the licensee has been treating with Blue Kote. During inspection today the wound appears to be deeper, and necrotic.

The obese bobcat still appears to walk slowly, gently, and stiff legged.

The nine-year-old male lion known as Damba is very thin with prominent vertebral bodies. The licensee was not aware that this animal is too thin. Failure to recognize the thinness of the lion and communicate this to the attending veterinarian in a timely manner can lead to a worsening of the condition and suffering of this animal.

Each exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include daily observations of all animals to assess their health and well-being. If these daily observations are accomplished by someone other than the attending veterinarian a method of direct and frequent communication is required so that timely and accurate information on problems of animal health and well-being is conveyed to the attending veterinarian.

A veterinarian has not been contacted to address any of these health issues.

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3.131(a)

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### Sanitation.

The bobcat enclosure still has excessive feces in the litter box, and another area around the center post for the enclosure. There is a strong odor around the enclosure.

Excreta shall be removed from primary enclosures as often as necessary to prevent contamination of the animals contained therein and to minimize disease hazards and to reduce odors.

Excreta and food waste must be removed from primary enclosures as often as necessary to minimize disease hazards and odors.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

Additional Inspectors:

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
10779	34-C-0166	001	JAMES SVOBODA	21-JUL-2021

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000003	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000001	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION
000001	<i>Lynx rufus</i>	BOBCAT
000002	<i>Ursus americanus</i>	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000007	<b>Total</b>	