



## Inspection Report

Marek Lipold  
1161 Hunter Tr.  
Bogart, GA 30622

Customer ID: **6002748**  
Certificate: **67-C-0003**  
Site: 001  
Marek Lipold

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 08-FEB-2024

### 3.150(a) Critical

#### Facilities, general.

An eighth month old emu died since the last inspection on September 25, 2023, due to an injury caused by having one of its legs entangled in the wires of an outdoor primary enclosure. Per the licensee, the emu had been placed into this enclosure along with two other emus in order to separate them from their cohorts due to compatibility issues. The wire fencing of this outdoor primary enclosure was made of wire mesh with spacing between the wires measuring approximately 4 by 4 inches and 5 feet high for about 80 percent the enclosure. A section of the fence facing the neighboring property instead had six high tensile strung single wires (each strand approximately 12 inches apart) for a height of about 6 feet. Per the licensee, the emu got its leg tangled in two of these single stranded wires and died from its injuries shortly thereafter. Additionally, on this inspection, partially unrolled chicken wire was found lying within the emus' primary outdoor enclosure, located within the sheltered structure lying on its side by the storage receptacles, possibly allowing for entanglement and/or injury. Failure to provide a safe primary enclosure can result in injury and/or death of the birds. Housing facilities for birds shall be designed and constructed for birds housed in them and shall be kept in good repair and protect the birds from injury.  
Correct by: FEBRUARY 21, 2024.

### 2.40(a)(1) Repeat

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

At the time of inspection, confirmation that the licensee had an attending veterinarian overseeing care for the birds could not be verified. Per the licensee, the attending veterinarian for their mammals looks over his birds when she comes to his facility, but the written program of veterinary care for the mammals does not list or include the birds. The licensee further stated that he does not consult his attending veterinarian on aspects of the birds' care such as their diets or enclosures. An APHIS official could not confirm the mammalian attending veterinarian was overseeing the adequacy of animal care and use of the birds or that they are included in the current written program of veterinary care since the attending veterinarian could not be contacted. Therefore, this facility could not demonstrate a formal arrangement with their current attending veterinarian that included their bird species. Without a formal arrangement with an attending veterinarian that includes the birds, they may not be receiving adequate care, which could be detrimental to their health and well-being. The facility shall employ an attending veterinarian under formal arrangements for their birds to ensure the provision of adequate veterinary care and to oversee the adequacy of other aspects of the birds' animal care and use.

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2.75(b)(1)

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### Records: Dealers and exhibitors.

The current Record of Animals on hand (acquisition record and disposition record) is not current or complete. The parakeets, chickens, parrots (all present since last inspection), and a newly acquired macaw are not listed as part of the inventory, nor is the disposition information of one emu and a llama. The rest of the animal inventory is either missing all or part of the following: dates of acquisition or disposition, names and addresses of whom the animals were acquired from, and USDA license number or Driver's license number. Accurate and complete acquisition and disposition records are necessary to allow for medical and legal tracking of the animals. The facility shall ensure that it makes, keeps, and maintains records which fully and correctly disclose the following information concerning all exhibition animals: name and address of person from whom the animal was acquired, their USDA license number or Driver's license number/state, the name and address of the disposition of the animal, the date of acquisition and disposition, and the species of the animal.

2.134

### Contingency planning.

The facility did not have a documented contingency plan available for review at the time of inspection. A written contingency plan is required to help ensure animal health and well-being in the event of an emergency or disaster; without this tool, animals may suffer illness, injury, or death due to unpreparedness should an emergency or disaster strike. The licensee must develop, document, and follow an appropriate contingency plan that provides for the humane handling, treatment, transportation, housing, and care of their animals in the event of an emergency or disaster. The plan should also identify situations that trigger the plan, outline specific tasks required to be carried out in response, identify a chain of command and who will be responsible for fulfilling the tasks, while also addressing how the response and recovery will be handled. The plan must also be reviewed annually, and all employees trained on the plan within 30 days of employment. Correct by: MARCH 15, 2024.

3.55

Repeat

### Watering.

The plastic water receptacle for the rabbits in their outdoor wire enclosure was set on the ground and had a significant layer of grime consisting of hair and dirt. The licensee stated the water bowl is being cleaned weekly with water, soap, and a sponge only, without any sanitization. Unclean and unsanitary water receptacles can cause illness and disease in the rabbits. All watering receptacles shall be sanitized when dirty and at least once every 2 weeks.

3.56(b)(3)

Repeat

### Sanitation.

The primary outdoor wire enclosure housing three rabbits is located on the ground and the wire is being cleaned only with soap, water, and a sponge as needed. The enclosure is not being sanitized since the water used to sanitize the wire does not reach 180 degrees Fahrenheit and a disinfectant is not being applied. When enclosures are not sanitized adequately, there is higher risk of large numbers of germs remaining on the surface which creates a health hazard for the rabbits. Primary enclosures for rabbits shall be sanitized at least once every 30 days by washing them with hot water (180 degrees F) and soap or detergent, or by washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution followed by a safe and effective disinfectant, or by cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam or flame.

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3.81(c)(1)

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### Environment enhancement to promote psychological well-being.

The licensee had a female ring-tailed lemur born in May of 2023. The facility's current enrichment plan for nonhuman primates does not address the special needs of infant or juvenile nonhuman primates. Nonhuman primates have complex social, environmental, and medical needs. Infants and young juveniles require special attention and care in order to ensure proper socialization and to decrease stress. Infants and juveniles without adequate social and environmental enrichment may develop abnormal behaviors that can result in harm to the animal. The facility must revise its environment enhancement plan for nonhuman primates to include special consideration required under this regulation and based upon the needs of the individual species, in accordance with these standards, and with the instructions and approval of the attending veterinarian.

3.152(b)

### Facilities, outdoor

The chickens, pheasants, and peacocks, all housed in one outdoor enclosure need additional shelter from inclement weather. Two shelters are available but cannot house all 28 birds at one time. Both shelters are approximately 4 ft long x 4 ft wide x 2 feet high. Inadequate shelter from inclement weather may result in illness, discomfort, or distress to the birds, and may have a negative impact on their physical condition and well-being. All outdoor housing facilities for birds must provide enough shelter that is large enough to comfortably contain all the birds at one time and prevent their discomfort from direct sunlight, precipitation, or wind.

Correct by: MAY 1, 2024

3.154

Repeat

### Environment enhancement to promote psychological well-being.

The facility was unable to provide the inspector with a written plan of environmental enhancement for their birds. Facilities that house birds must develop, document, and follow a species-appropriate plan for environment enhancement adequate to promote the psychological well-being of birds. The licensee must develop, document, and follow a species-appropriate plan that has been approved by the attending veterinarian. The plan must be in accordance with AWA regulations and with currently accepted professional standards as cited in appropriate professional journals or reference guides.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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### Species Inspected

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6002748	67-C-0003	001	Marek Lipold	08-FEB-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000003	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA
000001	<i>Camelus dromedarius</i>	DROMEDARY CAMEL
000003	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000002	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000004	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000003	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000004	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	EMU
000002	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET
000004	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	INDIAN PEAFOWL / COMMON PEAFOWL / PEAHEN / PEACOCK
000011	<i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i>	DOMESTIC CHICKEN (INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS / TURKIN / COCK / HEN / ROOSTER)
000013	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	RING-NECKED PHEASANT / COMMON PHEASANT
000001	<i>Eclectus roratus</i>	ECLECTUS PARROT
000001	<i>Ara ararauna</i>	BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW
000002	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000054	<b>Total</b>	