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# Inspection Report

Utica Zoological Society One Utica Zoo Way Utica. NY 13501

Customer ID: 2125

Certificate: 21-C-0038

Site: 001

Utica Zoological Society

Type: RE-LICENSE INSPECTION

Date: 21-JUL-2022

3.75(a)

Housing facilities, general.

The door in the Golden Lion Tamarin area that leads to the outdoor keeper area needs to be addressed. The base of the door is rusted through and deteriorating. As a main entry door into a primate area, this door needs to be maintained in good repair to facilitate husbandry practices and containment of the animals.

3.125(a)

Facilities, general.

\*\*\* There is paint flaking off the wood fences in the Jacob sheep enclosure. Flaking paint can be a potential ingestion hazard and these sections of fence need to be maintained in good repair for the safety of the sheep.

\*\*\* The base of the door in the pig enclosure is rusted and deteriorating. This door needs to be addressed and maintained in good repair for the safety of the pigs.

\*\*\* One of the main stall doors for the camel barn has a panel of wire mesh covering the door. The wire is bending upwards and is not in good repair. This section of mesh should be replaced for the safety of the camels. In addition, there is a section of wood along the shift to the outdoor portion of the enclosure that is chewed and has a few nails exposed into the stall. This section of wood needs to be replaced to keep the enclosure in good repair and for the safety of the animals.

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\*\*\* There is a very large hole/den that was dug by the hyenas in their exhibit that is next to some large rocks. The integrity of the hole has not been checked by the keepers as they cannot safety lock the hyenas in holding together. Holding is their only access point to the exhibit. Hyenas are active diggers and there is a potential for the hole to collapse on an animal, or a large rock could fall on the animals due to the instability of the ground through digging. Monitoring the enclosure requires regular access to the enclosure to check for these potential hazards. This needs to be addressed for the safety of the animals.

# 3.125(c)

#### Facilities, general.

The main trailer used to store food for the facility needs to be addressed. The main access door is rusted along the bottom and temperature variations over the years has caused the door to swell in parts making it very difficult to open and close. This door needs to be addressed to assure the door can function as intended for the food to be properly stored, protecting supplies against deterioration and potential contamination by pests.

#### 3.125(d)

#### Facilities, general.

Management of waste disposal must be addressed at the at the facility. Currently the facility is dumping their animal waste and bedding into "compost" piles just past the parking lot on a sloped hill that is accessible to local wildlife. The compostable waste is not managed according to best practices and local guidance and the piles are not being turned to provide oxygen or checked to maintain moisture so materials may effectively decompose. Because the piles are not decomposing properly, this waste can pose a health hazard to the local wildlife and be a source for disease spread. The AV has stated that the materials may not be used again at the facility for concerns of disease spread. Waste disposal

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must be addressed and the facilities for animal waste must comply with applicable, Federal, State, and local laws and regulations pertaining to pollution control and the protection of the environment.

#### 3.127(a)

#### Facilities, outdoor.

The female zebra outdoor pen does not have natural shade and portions of the day the only shade she has is in the barn. Some method of artificial shade should be provided to allow her to be outside the barn and still have sufficient shade from the sun.

#### 3.127(d)

#### Facilities, outdoor.

\*\*\* Sections of the perimeter fence need to be addressed. In a few places there are significant gaps at the base of the fence that are large enough for animals from the outside to access the zoo. In several sections there are trees growing up through the fence which if left over time can affect the structural integrity of the enclosure. In other areas, there are trees growing on the inside of the fence or along the outside that allow the perimeter fence to be breeched easily wither via human or animal. The trees potentially facilitate an animal escape from the zoo if their primary enclosure was compromised. The perimeter fence must be constructed and maintained so it protects the animals by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from going over it, or under it and can act as a secondary containment system for the animals at the facility.

## 3.131(c)

#### Sanitation.

The housekeeping at the facility needs to be addressed. There are excess building materials just outside the cavy enclosure that should be removed. There is also a dump site of old buckets, trash bags, used pallets and fencing outside

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the new zebra barn. Premises must be kept clean and trash placed in designated areas and cleared often to reduce living areas for pests and protect the health of the animals.

This is a 1st Re-License Inspection for a Class "C" license. The inspection and exit briefing were conducted with the applicant.

All items must be in compliance within 2 more inspection(s) or by 60 days from the date of this inspection or the applicant will forfeit the license fee and must wait 6 months to reapply. Please contact your inspector to schedule your next Re-License Inspection.

Regulated activity can continue under your existing USDA license until it expires.

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# **Species Inspected**

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2125	21-C-0038	001	Utica Zoological Society	21-JUL-2022

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	Bos primigenuis indicus	ZEBU
000003	Saguinus oedipus	COTTON-TOP TAMARIN
000002	Ateles geoffroyi	BLACK-HANDED SPIDER MONKEY
000002	Hylobates lar	LAR GIBBON
000002	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
800000	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000004	Oryctolagus cuniculus	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	Vulpes lagopus	ARCTIC FOX
000002	Vulpes vulpes	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000004	Canis lupus	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000003	Panthera leo	LION
000002	Lynx canadensis	CANADIAN LYNX
000003	Castor canadensis	AMERICAN BEAVER
000003	Dolichotis patagonum	PATAGONIAN CAVY / MARA
000003	Octodon degus	DEGU
000002	Erethizon dorsatum	NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE
000002	Camelus bactrianus	BACTRIAN CAMEL
000002	Muntiacus reevesi	REEVE'S MUNTJAC
000002	Equus zebra	MOUNTAIN ZEBRA / HARTMANN'S ZEBRA
000002	Sus scrofa	WILD BOAR
000004	Lama pacos	ALPACA
000001	Didelphis virginiana	VIRGINIA OPOSSUM
000004	Notamacropus rufogriseus	BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY
000003	Chinchilla lanigera	CHINCHILLA (DOMESTICATED)
000002	Atelerix albiventris	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000003	Sus cebifrons	VISAYAN WARTY PIG
000001	Otocolobus manul	PALLAS'S CAT
000002	Leontopithecus rosalia	GOLDEN LION TAMARIN
000002	Mustela putorius furo	DOMESTIC FERRET
000002	Hyaena hyaena	STRIPED HYENA
000003	Lycaon pictus	AFRICAN HUNTING DOG / AFRICAN WILD DOG
000002	Hystrix africaeaustralis	CAPE PORCUPINE
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