



Inspection Report

NHECM

2464 SOWELL MILL PIKE
COLUMBIA, TN 38401

Customer ID: **43005**

Certificate: **63-C-0207**

Site: 001

NATURAL HISTORY EDUCATION
CO OF MIDSOUTH

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 27-SEP-2023

2.40(a)(2)

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

Since the last USDA inspection the facility has acquired coatimundis. In addition, birds are now regulated species and the facility exhibits several species of birds. The facility has not yet consulted with the attending veterinarian (AV) to address the provision of adequate veterinary care (these species are not included in the written program of veterinary care) or other aspects of animal care and use such as appropriate enrichment for the new species. The AV must be given authority to oversee the provision of adequate veterinary care and other aspects of animal care and use to provide for the health and well-being of the animals. The AV must be consulted by the facility to provide oversight of veterinary care and other aspects of animal care and use including an updated program of veterinary care to include all regulated species. Correct by 10/27/23.

3.154

Environment enhancement to promote psychological well-being.

At the time of inspection, an environmental enhancement plan for birds that documents the appropriate provisions to provide enrichment and special considerations and is approved by the attending veterinarian has not been developed by the facility. This plan is necessary to ensure the psychological well-being and health of the animals. The facility must ensure that a documented plan for environmental enhancement that addresses the required elements and is approved by the attending veterinarian is maintained and available for inspection. Correct by 10/27/2023.

3.156

Watering

The water receptacles for the owl are in need of cleaning and refilling with potable water. The water is opaque and green in color with debris floating on the surface. The water receptacle for the Buteo is dry with no potable water provided. Potable water is necessary to ensure the bird's health and well-being. Potable water must be provided to every bird housed at the facility and water receptacles must be kept clean and sanitized. Correct by 9/28/23.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Procyon lotor</i>	RACCOON
000001	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000003	<i>Eidolon helvum</i>	STRAW-COLOURED FRUIT BAT
000001	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>	BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG
000001	<i>Bubo bubo</i>	EURASIAN EAGLE-OWL
000001	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	COMMON BUZZARD
000001	<i>Nasua nasua</i>	SOUTH AMERICAN COATI
000009	Total	