



Inspection Report

Carylann Swickard
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Customer ID: **321495**
Certificate: **63-A-0184**
Site: 001
CARYLANN & DAVID SWICKARD

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 21-AUG-2015

2.40(b)(2)

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

Several chinchillas were noticed to have rough, dry haircoats. One predominantly grey breeder chinchilla was noted to have small patches of hairloss on its head and face in addition to a rough dry haircoat. Some of the hairs appeared broken/shortened. The attending veterinarian needs to examine the chinchillas with abnormal haircoats in order to make a diagnosis and institute a treatment plan. Correct by 9/4/15.

3.25(c)

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

Two open bags of bedding were noted on the floor: one of wood shavings and one of equine bedding pellets. Rodent droppings were noted on the floors in the same rooms. All open bags of supplies of food and bedding need to be kept stored in a manner, such as in a closed container with a lid, that will adequately protect such supplies against contamination by vermin and spoilage. Correct by 8/24/15.

3.26(b)

FACILITIES, INDOOR.

Upon entering the building housing the animals, a distinct low level ammonia odor was detected in the first room that was housing hamsters. The ammonia odor became much stronger in the second room housing the guinea pigs and chinchillas. The only source of fresh air for the rooms was one small window airconditioner. A ceiling fan was operational but just recirculated the stale air. Ammonia odors and poor ventilation can lead to discomfort to the animals and can lead to health issues. The indoor animal housing area shall be provided with fresh air and shall be ventilated so as to minimize odors. Correct by 9/12/15.

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3.31(b)

SANITATION.

The rooms housing the animals (including hamsters, guinea pigs and chinchillas) need cleaning. There are numerous cobwebs on all surfaces including the window, walls, airconditioner and light bulbs. There is spilled feed and hay on the floor along with rodent pellets. Tools and other materials not relating to the animals' care are lying on top of cages. The curtains/window hangings/door hangings are musty and dirty and need washing. There is a broken window on the same floor of the house in a room adjacent to the animals room. A hanging quilt forms the door from the room with the broken window to the animal room-pests and other unwanted animals may enter through the broken window. The front porch adjacent to the door leading into the animal facility is piled high with empty cages some containing bedding and feed-these may attract unwanted pest animals. The premises including the animal facility building and the grounds need to be kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate prescribed husbandry practices. Correct by 9/12/15.

3.31(c)

SANITATION.

Rodent droppings were noted on the floor in both animal rooms and on the windowsill and window airconditioner ledge. Rodents can carry diseases that could be transmitted to the animals in the facility. An effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites and avian and mammalian pests shall be established and maintained. Correct by 9/21/15.

3.125(a) DIRECT

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

Upon entering the room housing the chinchillas, one chincilla was noted to have its head and part of its neck extending outside of its enclosure. The enclosure was stacked on another enclosure and was about 3 ft above the ground. The chincilla had pushed up on a movable door section of the caging wire of the enclosure that had been fastened with a carabiner type clip at the top but had no fastening on the bottom. The carabiner clip allowed the chincilla to push up the door about an inch to an inch and a half which gave the chincilla enough room to stick out its head and neck. The chincilla was able to be freed from the opening and appeared unhurt. The chincilla may injure itself on the current enclosure setup and if it escapes, it would fall to the ground which would also lead to injury. A second clip was added as a temporary measure to the enclosure. All enclosures must be constructed and maintained in such a manner that they are in good repair and protect the animals from injury and contain the animals. Correct by 8/24/15.

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SANITATION.

The chinchilla enclosures need cleaning. The room housing the chinchillas has a strong ammonia odor. The chinchillas have equine bedding pellets in the trays underneath the wire bottoms of their enclosures. The bedding has become soaked with urine and expanded in size to the extent that the pellets are now covering the wire bottoms of the enclosures in areas. Thus the chinchillas are touching/sitting on the the urine soaked pellets in some enclosures. Buildup of wet pellets/bedding material leads to odors, possible disease transmission and soiling of the animals. Excreta shall be removed as often as necessary from the primary enclosures to prevent contamination of the animals and to minimize disease hazards and odors. Correct by 8/24/15.

Exit conducted with undersigned owner.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
321495	63-A-0184	001	CARYLANN & DAVID SWICKARD	21-AUG-15

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000015	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000026	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA
000005	<i>Mesocricetus auratus</i>	SYRIAN HAMSTER (GOLDEN HAMSTER)
000012	<i>Phodopus campbelli</i>	CAMPBELLS DWARF HAMSTER
000058	Total	