

Andrews, TX 79714

# United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

TSTOTT INS-0001350773

## **Inspection Report**

Yerrington Empire Customer ID: **6020468** 

1008 Morningside Drive Certificate: **74-B-0833** 

Site: 002

Yerrington Empire

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 25-JUN-2025

2.1(b)(2)(ii)

#### Requirements and application

The licensee acquired one adult male and two adult female fennec foxes for display. The current license does not permit covered activity with wild or exotic canids.

Licenses authorizing the use of specific species types in subparts D and F are issued based upon successful passing of a pre-licensing or re-licensing inspection to verify that the licensee is presently equipped and able to provide the appropriate husbandry and veterinary care needs of the species they possess or will possess for use in covered activity.

The facility must not perform covered activity (such as exhibition or sales) for classes of animals that are not permitted on their license. If the licensee wishes to perform covered activity with species not included on their license, they must first apply for and secure a license to include the appropriate species class(es) before using the animals in covered activities or housing them among animals used in covered activity.

TO BE CORRECTED BY 06/28/2025

#### 2.40(b)(3) Direct

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

There is one adult zebra finch that is observed to be pecked by a few of the six other adult zebra finches housed in the same primary enclosure. The bird has an area about the size of a nickel on its neck and back where the skin is reddened and devoid of feathers; there are additional such areas that are smaller on the back of the head, near the right shoulder and on the mid-back. The licensee was not aware of the bird's condition when pointed out by the inspector. Failure to make adequate daily observations for animals prevents problems from being noticed in a timely manner and communicated to the veterinarian to determine the appropriate action, prolonging an animal's pain, distress or discomfort. The licensee must conduct adequate daily observations of all animals to assess their health and well-being and ensure that there is a mechanism for direct and frequent communication to the attending veterinarian regarding timely and accurate information concerning problems with animal health, behavior and well-being. Additionally, the licensee must seek consultation with the attending veterinarian for this animal's care and husbandry.

TO BE CORRECTED BY SEEKING VETERINARY CARE FOR THIS BIRD BY 10:00AM ON 6/26/2025

2.75(b)(1)

Records: Dealers and exhibitors.

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The licensee has incomplete and/or inaccurate acquisition records for one adult female Egyptian weasel, two adult female fennec foxes and one adult male fennec fox. The acquisition records for these animals consist of an incomplete Form 7020 and a copy of an airline shipping certificate that lists "25 weasels" along with the three fennec foxes. The licensee stated they ordered and picked up only two of these weasels from the airport, and do not know anything about the other weasels noted on the airline certificate. Neither page of the records lists a name and address for the buyer, and the species of weasel is not noted.

Lack of required acquisition information prevents accurate tracking of animals to ensure their humane use. The licensee must establish a system of recordkeeping to ensure the creation and maintenance of acquisition and disposition records which fully and correctly disclose all of the required information for all animals on the inventory, including those born on premises.

TO BE CORRECTED FROM THE DATE OF THIS INSPECTION ON 6/25/2025

#### 2.134(b)

### Contingency planning.

The licensee does not have documentation of the annual review for the facility's Contingency Plan since the plan was approved and put into place in April, 2024.

The licensee must ensure not only that a Contingency Plan is in place, but also that it is reviewed at least once annually to ensure it adequately addresses the criteria listed in paragraph (a) of this section and is still relevant to the facility and animals. The plan must provide for the humane handling, treatment, transportation, housing, and care of their animals in the event of an emergency or disaster. The licensee must maintain documentation of the annual review, including documenting any amendments or changes made to the plan since the previous year's review.

# TO BE CORRECTED BY 07/02/2025

#### 3.53(c)(2)

## Primary enclosures.

Three lop rabbits weighting approximately 2lbs each are housed in a primary enclosure measuring 523.13 square inches; these animals collectively require a minimum of 648 square inches of floor space (1.5 square feet each).

Failure to provide the minimum floor space results in overcrowding that can cause the animals discomfort and/or distress, leading to competition for resources, incompatibility, illness or injury. The licensee must ensure that each rabbit housed in a primary enclosure is provided at least the minimum amount of floor space according to their individual weights and other factors as described in Part 3, Subpart C, Section 3.53(c); the final amount of floor space must exclude the space taken up by food and water receptacles.

CORRECTED DURING THIS INSPECTION ON 6/24/2025

#### 3.160(b) Direct

#### Compatibility and separation

There is one adult zebra finch with missing feathers and reddened skin areas that is frequently pecked by the other six adult zebra finches with which it is housed. When this was pointed out to the licensee, the bird was immediately removed from the enclosure and placed by itself in another cage nearby with food, water and enrichment.

Housing birds together that are incompatible causes distress for them and can result in animals being denied food, water and other resources, and lead to illness, injury or even death. The licensee must ensure that birds are not housed with

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other animals, including members of the same species, unless they are compatible, do not prevent access to food, water or shelter by individual animals, and are not known to be hazardous to the health and well-being of each other. Compatibility must be determined in accordance with generally accepted professional practices and by actual observations to ensure that the birds are, in fact, compatible.

CORRECTED AT THE TIME OF THIS INSPECTION ON 6/24/2025

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensees.

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# **Species Inspected**

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000012	Oryctolagus cuniculus	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000000	Chinchilla lanigera	CHINCHILLA
000000	Petaurus breviceps	SUGAR GLIDER
800000	Cavia porcellus <sup>'</sup>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000003	Cynomys Iudovicianus	BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG
000000	Atelerix albiventris	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG
000001	Octodon degus	DEGU
000012	Mesocricetus auratus	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER
000006	Meriones unguiculatus	MONGOLIAN GERBIL
000006	Cricetulus griseus	CHINESE HAMSTER
000002	Mustela putorius furo	DOMESTIC FERRET
000000	Callithrix geoffroyi	WHITE-FRONTED MARMOSET
000007	Taeniopygia guttata	ZEBRA FINCH / TIMOR ZEBRA FINCH
000000	Amazona viridigenalis	RED-CROWNED PARROT / GREEN-CHEEKED AMAZON / RED- CROWNED AMAZON / MEXICAN RED-HEA
000000	Padda oryzivora	JAVA SPARROW
000000	Myiopsitta monachus	MONK PARAKEET / QUAKER PARROT
000001	Pyrrhura molinae	GREEN-CHEEKED PARAKEET / GREEN-CHEEKED CONURE
000000	Nymphicus hollandicus	COCKATIEL
000010	Melopsittacus undulatus	BUDGERIGAR / BUDGIE / COMMON PARAKEET / SHELL PARAKEET
000000	Chloebia gouldiae	GOULDIAN FINCH
000003	Vulpes zerda	FENNEC FOX
000002	Serinus canaria domestica	DOMESTIC CANARY / COMMON CANARY
000001	Notamacropus rufogriseus	BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY
000001	Ara ararauna	BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW
000001	Mustela subpalmata	EGYPTIAN WEASEL



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