



Inspection Report

CITY OF CHATTANOOGA
301 NORTH HOLTZCLAW AVENUE
CHATTANOOGA, TN 37404

Customer ID: **3233**
Certificate: **63-C-0258**
Site: 001
CITY OF CHATTANOOGA

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 16-AUG-2023

2.40(b)(3)

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

*One female Nubian goat, tan with white on her face, and housed at the petting farm area was noted to be thin on inspection. Her ribs are visible and the processes of her backbone are prominent and sharp. Her hip bones are prominent with little fat. The veterinarian has not been consulted regarding the thin body condition. Her last veterinary physical exam was April 26, 2023 at which time the veterinarian gave her a normal weight body condition score.

*One prairie dog was seen during the inspection. The curator stated that they have five prairie dogs but they have not seen more than two prairie dogs together at one time even with the use of a trail camera. Daily keeper records for the last two months state that only one prairie dog was visualized by staff daily but that food fed for five was being provided and eaten. It is unknown whether the prairie dog identified is always the same one or not. Veterinary visits noted for the group for the last three years state that the veterinarian was not able to do a visual exam.

Daily observation of all animals is necessary to be able to assess their health and well-being and to notify the veterinarian in a timely manner of any problems related to health, behavior or well-being of the animals so that they can be appropriately addressed.

The facility shall ensure that daily observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being is being conducted and that a mechanism of direct and frequent communication exists so that timely and accurate information on problems of animal health, behavior, and well-being is conveyed to the attending veterinarian. Correct by having the goat be examined by a veterinarian by 8/23/23 and developing a method to perform daily observation of the prairie dogs by 9/1/23.

3.125(a)

Facilities, general.

Several outdoor housing areas were found to need repair.

*The enclosure housing six African Crested Porcupines has two sections of chain link fencing type material with green plastic slats woven through the chain link forming lean-to like shade structures from the ground to about four feet tall. Several of the green plastic slats are broken off. Some have sharp points. Others have chew marks on them. The porcupines may injure themselves or ingest some of the plastic material.

*The hammocks for both the red fox and the raccoon are worn with a hole present in each and lots of fabric strings dangling from the edges of the hole. The animals may injure themselves or ingest some of the fabric strings.

*The new and not yet being used goat climbing structure has an elevated (6 plus feet off the ground) steep ramp leading to a protected platform. The ramp has no sides or other protective railing. The goats may injure themselves if they fall.

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The outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury. Correct by 8/23/23.

3.127(d)

Facilities, outdoor.

The facility currently has an eight foot perimeter fence as required but the fence is in need of attention/maintenance. In multiple sections, especially along the back side of the zoo, the perimeter fence has been overgrown by vines, bushes and trees. Animals and unauthorized persons may use the growth to climb over the fence and have contact with the animals in the facility. In addition, the growth makes it difficult to see the actual fence in some areas to evaluate the condition of the fence and it may damage the actual fence itself.

The perimeter fence must be constructed so that it protects the animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from going through it or under it and having contact with the animals in the facility, and so that it can function as a secondary containment system for the animals in the facility. Correct by 10/16/23.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the curator and a facility representative.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000003	<i>Callithrix geoffroyi</i>	WHITE-FRONTED MARMOSET
000003	<i>Leontopithecus rosalia</i>	GOLDEN LION TAMARIN
000006	<i>Saguinus bicolor</i>	BARE-FACED TAMARIN
000002	<i>Saguinus imperator</i>	EMPEROR TAMARIN
000003	<i>Saguinus oedipus</i>	COTTON-TOP TAMARIN
000004	<i>Ateles geoffroyi</i>	BLACK-HANDED SPIDER MONKEY
000006	<i>Pan troglodytes</i>	CHIMPANZEE
000001	<i>Bos taurus</i>	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000009	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000003	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	<i>Uncia uncia</i>	SNOW LEOPARD
000001	<i>Canis latrans</i>	COYOTE
000003	<i>Vulpes zerda</i>	FENNEC FOX
000002	<i>Panthera onca</i>	JAGUAR
000002	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000001	<i>Felis margarita</i>	SAND CAT
000002	<i>Leptailurus serval</i>	SERVAL
000005	<i>Heterocephalus glaber</i>	NAKED MOLE-RAT
000002	<i>Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris</i>	CAPYBARA
000006	<i>Hystrix cristata</i>	AFRICAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
000005	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>	BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG
000003	<i>Camelus dromedarius</i>	DROMEDARY CAMEL
000004	<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>	WHITE-TAILED DEER
000003	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000001	<i>Genetta genetta</i>	SMALL SPOTTED GENET
000005	<i>Procavia capensis</i>	ROCK HYRAX
000004	<i>Potos flavus</i>	KINKAJOU
000005	<i>Suricata suricatta</i>	SLENDER-TAILED MEERKAT
000003	<i>Ailurus fulgens</i>	RED PANDA
000002	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000002	<i>Lophocebus aterrimus</i>	BLACK MANGABEY
000002	<i>Echinops telfairi</i>	LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG TENREC
000002	<i>Myrmecophaga tridactyla</i>	GIANT ANTEATER
000002	<i>Nomascus leucogenys</i>	WHITE-CHEEKED GIBBON
000002	<i>Octodon degus</i>	DEGU
000001	<i>Tolypeutes matacus</i>	SOUTHERN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000001	<i>Procyon lotor</i>	RACCOON
000001	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000003	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	GIRAFFE
000004	<i>Cephalophus monticola</i>	BLUE DUIKER
000001	<i>Didelphis virginiana</i>	VIRGINIA OPOSSUM
000002	<i>Caracal caracal</i>	CARACAL
000001	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>	STRIPED SKUNK
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