

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

The C A R E Foundation 4609 West Ponkan Rd Apopka, FL 32712 Customer ID: 3349

Certificate: 58-C-1007

Site: 001

THE CARE FOUNDATION

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 08-JAN-2015

2.40(b)(2)

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

The licensee could not demonstrate during the inspection that any of the big cats or the fox were vaccinated as indicated on the Program of Veterinary Care (PVC). A telephone call to the consulting veterinarian's office confirmed that the cougars were vaccinated against Rabies and are current on that vaccination, but has not received the recommended Distemper vaccinations as indicated on the PVC.

The veterinarian's office staff also indicated that the tigers, leopards, & fox were not vaccinated against Rabies & Distemper as also indicated on the PVC.

These vaccinations prevent disease and should be administered as recommended by your veterinarian, and the lack of vaccinations is not an appropriate method to prevent diseases and the spread of those diseases.

Correct by February 1, 2015

2.50(c)

TIME AND METHOD OF IDENTIFICATION.

Two cats were acquired on May 20, 2014 and have yet to be officially identified with an official USDA tag. All cats must be officially identified with a USDA tag or other acceptable means (ie: tattoo, or microchip).

Correct by February 9 2015

2.131(c)(1)

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

Currently, the licensee is offering a select number of the public to come up to the enclosure to directly feed tigers by hand through a small opening that was created in the chain link fence without the use of tongs, forceps, or other implements.

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This method of allowing the public to feed large & potentially dangerous felids does not assure the safety of the public as well as the cats being fed.

If public feeding is to continue, the cats shall not be fed by hand and suitable implements/tools shall be utilized when the cats are offered food with adequate distance between the public and the tigers to assure the safety of the public as well as the cats.

Correct immediately

2.132(d)

PROCUREMENT OF DOGS, CATS, AND OTHER ANIMALS; DEALERS.

The licensee acquired one skunk on June 13, 2014 from a person who was not licensed as of the date of acquisition. This person eventually was issued a USDA license on June 18, 2014.

You may not acquire any regulated animal from a person who requires a license but does not have a current one on the date of acquisition.

Correct for all future acquisitions

3.11(a)

CLEANING, SANITIZATION, HOUSEKEEPING, AND PEST CONTROL.

There was a noticeable fecal odor emanating from the dog enclosure which is due to a lack of cleaning, or an incomplete cleaning, in and around this area.

All excreta shall be removed daily to reduce disease hazards and odors.

Correct immediately

3.131(c) REPEAT

SANITATION.

The outdoor food storage and preparation continues to be dirty and contains potentially toxic chemicals and sprays in open areas. Surfaces where food is stored and prepared is covered with dust, dirt, & dried blood and it appears that these surfaces are not being cleaned with any regularity.

The method of storing potentially toxic chemicals and sprays and the buildup of dirt, dust, and dried blood, does not protect the food from contamination. All food shall be stored in areas that are maintained in a clean fashion and away from anything that can potentially be toxic if accidentally spilled on the food and subsequently ingested by the

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animals.

The following enclosures had scattered accumulations of loose fiberfill &/or stuffing materials that have come from stuffed animals and other objects that have been chewed/shredded by the animals: Pig/goat enclosure, raccoon enclosure located at the top of the property, leopards enclosure, cougar enclosure, 2 raccoons enclosure.

These materials pose a risk of esophageal, intestinal or stomach blockage if the animals should ingest this material.

3.131(d)

SANITATION.

Numerous rodent holes were observed in both the leopard and the adjacent panther enclosures. Rodents can bite as well carry disease and parasites which can be transmitted to animals through these bites, their feces, or ectoparasites that they might carry.

A safe and effective program of rodent control shall be implemented to reduce the rodents in and around the animal enclosures to prevent diseases and injuries.

Correct by January 25, 2015

The exit interview was conducted with the licensee on-site as well as during a phone call when this report was received by E mail.

Additional Inspectors

Adams Megan, Animal Care Inspector

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Species Inspected

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3349	58-C-1007	001	THE C A R E FOUNDATION	08-JAN-15

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	Ateles geoffroyi	BLACK-HANDED SPIDER MONKEY
000003	Canis lupus familiaris	DOG ADULT
800000	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000002	Cebus capucinus	WHITE-HEADED / WHITE-THROATED CAPUCHIN
000002	Cebus olivaceus	WEEPER CAPUCHIN
000001	Didelphis virginiana	VIRGINIA OPOSSUM
000004	Felis silvestris catus	CAT ADULT
000001	Lynx rufus	BOBCAT
000002	Mephitis mephitis	STRIPED SKUNK
000001	Muscardinus avellanarius	HAZEL DORMOUSE
000005	Oryctolagus cuniculus	EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	Panthera pardus	LEOPARD
000003	Panthera tigris	TIGER
000002	Potos flavus	KINKAJOU
000010	Procyon lotor	RACCOON
000002	Puma concolor	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000003	Sus scrofa domestica	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000001	Urocyon cinereoargenteus	GRAY FOX / GREY FOX
000001	Ursus americanus	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000054	Total	