



## Inspection Report

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Mystic Misfits  
9515 FM 1255  
Grand Saline, TX 75140

Customer ID: **6016637**  
Certificate: **74-C-1155**  
Site: 001  
Mystic Misfits

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION  
Date: 31-DEC-2025

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### 2.131(c)(1) Critical

#### Handling of animals.

The licensee failed to handle an adult, female hyena in a manner that minimized risk of harm to the public. APHIS obtained a local Sheriff Department report as well as a complaint from the public about an incident that occurred on December 20, 2025. During today's inspection, an APHIS official discussed the incident with the licensee who confirmed it. The incident involved the licensee walking the hyena on a thin dog leash in a public area of the premises where it had direct contact with members of the public. The licensee directed a member of the public to be photographed standing next to the hyena. The hyena bit through the leash and escaped the licensee's control and bit the guest in the calf causing a severe wound that required hospitalization. Hyenas are powerful, wild predators that can cause serious injury when they attack.

During public exhibitions, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

To be corrected from the date of this inspection on 12/31/2025 forward.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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Received by Title: Licensee

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**Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
6016637	74-C-1155	001	Mystic Misfits	31-DEC-2025

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Crocuta crocuta</i>	SPOTTED HYENA
000002	<b>Total</b>	