



Inspection Report

Jungle Reef LLC
750 Sunland Park Dr Suite A01A
El Paso, TX 79912

Customer ID: **6017728**
Certificate: **74-C-1169**
Site: 001
Jungle Reef LLC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 20-AUG-2024

2.40(b)(3) Critical

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

A female adult budgie died three days following initial discovery of a possible health problem and subsequent decline in health, without veterinary consult or intervention. On 08/04/2024, husbandry staff made an entry in an observation log for a female adult budgie that appeared unable to fly. The bird was removed from the flock and placed in a separate room for quarantine and continued observation. The following day, on 08/05/2024, husbandry staff made another log entry stating that the bird was "lethargic." On 08/06/2024, two separate logs document that the bird was found deceased. The attending veterinarian was not notified at any time during this three-day period regarding the bird's condition.

Failure to promptly report health or behavioral issues to the attending veterinarian resulted in delayed veterinary intervention that could have stopped the progression of the bird's decline and avoided prolonged discomfort or suffering the animal may have experienced in the days between when the problem was first noticed and when the bird died. Daily observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being must be performed, and a mechanism of direct and frequent communication is required so that timely and accurate information on problems of animal health, behavior and well being is conveyed to the attending veterinarian.

CORRECTED BEFORE THE TIME OF INSPECTION CONDUCTED ON 08/20/2024

2.75(b)(1) Repeat

Records: Dealers and exhibitors.

At the time of the inspection, the facility does not have disposition records for four adult rabbits that the husbandry supervisor states were adopted out of the facility.

Records containing the required information for animals disposed of or acquired for use in regulated activities, including those offspring born on premises, are necessary to accurately track animals to ensure their humane care and use. The licensee shall make, keep and maintain records of acquisition and disposition for all animals that fully and correctly disclose all of the information required within all subsections of Part 2, Subpart G, Section 2.75(b)(1).

2.131(b)(1) Critical

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Handling of animals.

On 08/15/2024, an approximately nine month old female Bennett's wallaby named "Jupiter" was killed by a crush injury from a gate. This occurred while workers were bringing a large load of hay inside the enclosure while the young wallaby was allowed free roam of the entire area. Video footage of the area shows the wallaby sustained its lethal injury when it placed its head inside a gap on the hinge side of the open primary enclosure gate, and the gate closed while the animal's head was in the gap. Staff realized the injury immediately afterward and contacted the attending veterinarian, but the animal died from its injury in only a few minutes. Following this incident, the facility installed a guard covering to prevent future entrapment of animals during gate operation.

Bennett's wallabies are a marsupial species that normally remain in the pouch of their dam until nine months of age, after which they remain unweaned, cared for and nursed by the dam and in her protective pouch intermittently for several more months. Allowing this young animal to roam the large enclosure while staff were distracted and unable to view the whole area while moving the large load inside presented a higher risk of injury to the animal. The licensee must ensure that handling of all animals is done as expeditiously and as carefully as possible, in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm or unnecessary discomfort.

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3.129(a)

Feeding.

Formula powder used to bottle feed one nine month old female Bennett's wallaby named "Jupiter" and one ten month old male Bennett's wallaby named "Wally" over the past four months is labeled for neonates and not appropriate for joeys of this age and stage of development. The husbandry manager obtained an appropriate milk replacement formula when this was brought to her attention by the inspector during this inspection. Facility staff stated that both animals were intentionally separated from their dams at an early age to be hand-reared at the facility.

Failure to provide the milk replacement formula that most closely matches that which these growing animals would consume while nursing from their mothers at their current life stage can result in nutrient deficiencies, inappropriate development, weakened immune systems and illness. The facility must ensure that food fed to all animals is wholesome, palatable, free from contamination and of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to maintain the animals in good health. The diet shall be prepared with consideration for the age, species, condition, size and type of the animal.

CORRECTED DURING THE TIMEFRAME OF THE INSPECTION CONDUCTED ON 08/20/2024

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee and facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

| Cust No | Cert No | Site | Site Name | Inspection |
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| Count | Scientific Name | Common Name |
|--------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 000000 | <i>Lemur catta</i> | RING-TAILED LEMUR |
| 000189 | <i>Melopsittacus undulatus</i> | BUDGERIGAR / BUDGIE / COMMON PARAKEET / SHELL PARAKEET |
| 000003 | <i>Aonyx cinereus</i> | ORIENTAL SMALL-CLAWED OTTER |
| 000000 | <i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i> | DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT |
| 000000 | <i>Anas platyrhynchos domesticus</i> | DOMESTIC DUCK INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS |
| 000000 | <i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i> | DOMESTIC CHICKEN (INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS / TURKIN / COCK / HEN / ROOSTER) |
| 000001 | <i>Hystrix cristata</i> | AFRICAN CRESTED PORCUPINE |
| 000002 | <i>Capra hircus</i> | DOMESTIC GOAT |
| 000001 | <i>Notamacropus rufogriseus</i> | BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY |
| 000002 | <i>Dolichotis patagonum</i> | PATAGONIAN CAVY / MARA |
| 000198 | Total | |