



Inspection Report

Blank Park Zoo
7401 South West 9th Street
Des Moines, IA 50315

Customer ID: **25388**
Certificate: **42-C-0168**
Site: 001
BLANK PARK ZOO

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 24-APR-2017

2.40(b)(2)

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

Male donkey "Papa" has a large area of hair loss across the top of the hindquarters. Areas of thinning hair are located along the backside of both the upper left hind quarter and the upper right hindquarter. Areas of thinning hair are also located on both sides of the base of the tail and a small area of hair loss is located on the left side of the base of the tail. The keeper present at the time of the inspection stated that the donkey has been scratching his hindquarters frequently and thought that another keeper may have made notes on the donkey's condition. No keeper notes concerning the donkey's hair loss and excessive scratching behavior could be found and the attending veterinarian was not aware of the donkey's condition. Excessive scratching, thinning hair coat, and hair loss could indicate an underlying health issue.

This donkey must be evaluated by a licensed veterinarian for a proper diagnosis and to establish an effective treatment plan. The diagnosis and treatment plan must be documented in writing and available to the inspector upon request.

Correction date: The attending veterinarian evaluated the donkey at the time of the inspection.

2.131(c)(1) REPEAT

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

A large enclosure is located in front of the wallaby barn and there is a walking path for the public that runs through this enclosure. At least five wallabies have access to this enclosure at the time of the inspection and the animals hopped freely across the walking path and near the people.

A group of three young children came within approximately 2-3 feet of a female wallaby with a joey in her pouch. The children crouched down and reached for the animal and also tried to offer the wallaby grass to attempt to bring the animal closer. The female wallaby hopped away from the children and across the walking path to another area of the enclosure near a woman with a stroller. There are no employees present to supervise the potential public contact with the animals and there are also no public barriers to keep the wallabies and people away from each

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other. Unsupervised contact between people and wallabies could result in a dangerous situation.

During public exhibition, 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. The facility must either establish acceptable barriers to keep the free-ranging wallabies at a sufficient distance from the public or a responsible, knowledgeable, and readily identifiable employee or attendant must be present at all times during periods of public contact. The facility must ensure that all required measures are taken to eliminate any potentially dangerous situations between animals and the public.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with Kelly Maxwell, ACI and the facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
25388	42-C-0168	001	BLANK PARK ZOO	24-APR-17
Count	Scientific Name	Common Name		
000004	<i>Addax nasomaculatus</i>	ADDAX		
000002	<i>Ailurus fulgens</i>	RED PANDA		
000003	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)		
000002	<i>Bos taurus</i>	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI		
000005	<i>Camelus bactrianus</i>	BACTRIAN CAMEL		
000026	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT		
000004	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG		
000002	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA (DOMESTICATED)		
000002	<i>Coendou prehensilis</i>	PREHENSILE-TAILED PORCUPINE		
000010	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>	BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG		
000001	<i>Dasyprocta punctata</i>	CENTRAL AMERICAN AGOUTI		
000001	<i>Dasypus novemcinctus</i>	NINE-BANDED ARMADILLO		
000003	<i>Diceros bicornis</i>	BLACK RHINOCEROS		
000002	<i>Echinops telfairi</i>	LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG TENREC		
000001	<i>Equus asinus asinus</i>	DONKEY / BURRO / ASS		
000001	<i>Erethizon dorsatum</i>	NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE		
000005	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	GIRAFFE		
000002	<i>Hylobates lar</i>	LAR GIBBON		
000002	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA		
000003	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR		
000002	<i>Leontopithecus chrysomelas</i>	GOLDEN-HEADED TAMARIN		
000002	<i>Lontra canadensis</i>	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER		
000011	<i>Macaca fuscata</i>	JAPANESE MACAQUE / SNOW MACAQUE		
000001	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>	STRIPED SKUNK		
000005	<i>Mustela putorius</i>	EUROPEAN POLECAT		
000018	<i>Notamacropus rufogriseus</i>	BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY		
000004	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT		
000003	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION		
000001	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	TIGER		
000002	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	HARBOR SEAL		
000023	<i>Rousettus aegyptiacus</i>	EGYPTIAN FRUIT BAT		
000001	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG		
000004	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>	COMMON ELAND		
000002	<i>Uncia uncia</i>	SNOW LEOPARD		
000001	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)		
000003	<i>Zalophus californianus</i>	CALIFORNIA SEA LION		
000164	Total			