



Inspection Report

NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM
177 MILK STREET (BUSINESS)
BOSTON, Massachusetts 02110

Customer ID: 125
Certificate: 14-C-0008
Site: 001
NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 04-SEP-2020

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Facilities, general.

The marine mammal exhibit housing fur seals and sea lions has 3 large concrete columns in the animal-accessible area. On the column closest to the public viewing window, the concrete surface has degraded and exposed rusted metal surfaces can be seen close to the enclosure floor. Rust staining is evident extending toward the deck from the degraded areas, and the lowest area of rust staining extends down to the floor.

In the same exhibit, there are light fixtures suspended at the top of these 3 concrete columns. These light fixtures, as well as a painted metal horizontal beam affixed to one column, all hang over animal accessible areas, and in some instances directly over the pool. These painted light fixtures show large geographic areas of paint loss, exposing rusted metal surfaces underneath. Large, loose flakes of paint can be seen on some light fixtures that hang over the pool and on the end of the metal beam that hangs over the enclosure floor. Facility staff state that paint flakes have been observed in the water housing the animals and required removal.

Rust and paint flakes from inadequately maintained surfaces have contaminated animal accessible areas of the exhibit. The degraded concrete surface is not able to be effectively cleaned, and the exposed rust and paint flakes in the exhibit

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may present a health hazard via direct contact with animals or if ingested. All surfaces in a primary enclosure must be maintained in good repair as part of a regular, ongoing maintenance program.

To be corrected by January 1st, 2021.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the attending veterinarian.

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Species Inspected

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125	14-C-0008	001	NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM	04-SEP-2020

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000003	<i>Callorhinus ursinus</i>	NORTHERN FUR SEAL
000005	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	HARBOR SEAL
000004	<i>Zalophus californianus</i>	CALIFORNIA SEA LION
000012	Total	