



## Inspection Report

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Montgomery Zoo  
P.O. Box 3313  
Montgomery, AL 36109

Customer ID: **3025**  
Certificate: **64-C-0003**  
Site: 001  
MONTGOMERY ZOO

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 13-DEC-2022

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### 2.131(c)(1) Critical

#### Handling of animals.

In November 2022, an adult male cheetah ("Santiago") died after consuming parts of a lunch box and its contents (food items) that had been dropped into the cheetah enclosure by a member of the public. The day of the incident, the attending veterinarian observed two people riding on the ski lift overhead who yelled to her that they had dropped a lunch box into the cheetah enclosure. The attending veterinarian immediately contacted animal care staff and the lunch box and its contents were removed from the enclosure as quickly as possible, but the male cheetah ("Santiago") had already consumed parts of the insulated lunch box and its contents. Despite receiving extensive monitoring and veterinary care the cheetah died a few days later. A large amount of undigested lunch box material was found in the animal's stomach on necropsy examination.

Animals who ingest foreign bodies may suffer from a blockage of the gut, discomfort, pain, or death. Correct by ensuring that animals are handled and exhibited in a manner that assures the safety of the animals and the public. Temporary correction due by January 1, 2023; permanent correction due by April 1, 2023.

### 3.75(c)(2)

#### Housing facilities, general.

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Two primate indoor holding enclosures show signs of disrepair. The siamang enclosure, which holds two siamang, and the chimpanzee enclosure, which holds four chimpanzees, both have a wire grate wall where the coating has completely worn from the surface of the wire in some areas and the wire is severely rusted. The chimpanzee enclosure also has areas of excessive paint chipping and missing grout from multiple locations along the concrete walls. This includes a 4' x 8' area of wall where the paint is chipped and missing along most of the grout lines, and chunks of grout are also missing.

Worn services that cannot be readily cleaned and sanitized may harbor bacteria or otherwise be harmful to enclosed animals, and paint chips could post a health hazard if ingested. Correct by March 31, 2023 by ensuring that all surfaces are maintained on a regular basis so that they can be cleaned and sanitized adequately.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the Deputy Director.

Additional Inspectors:

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### Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000003	<i>Petaurus breviceps</i>	SUGAR GLIDER
000003	<i>Loxodonta africana</i>	AFRICAN ELEPHANT
000001	<i>Tolypeutes matacus</i>	SOUTHERN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000002	<i>Chrysocyon brachyurus</i>	MANED WOLF
000005	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000002	<i>Bettongia penicillata</i>	BRUSH-TAILED RAT-KANGAROO
000001	<i>Leptailurus serval</i>	SERVAL
000001	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000002	<i>Symphalangus syndactylus</i>	SIAMANG
000001	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA
000003	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	CHEETAH
000001	<i>Choloepus hoffmanni</i>	HOFFMANN'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000002	<i>Myrmecophaga tridactyla</i>	GIANT ANTEATER
000002	<i>Callithrix jacchus</i>	COMMON MARMOSET
000004	<i>Pan troglodytes</i>	CHIMPANZEE
000001	<i>Dolichotis patagonum</i>	PATAGONIAN CAVY / MARA
000012	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000003	<i>Saimiri boliviensis</i>	BLACK-CAPPED SQUIRREL MONKEY
000002	<i>Arctictis binturong</i>	BINTURONG
000002	<i>Lontra canadensis</i>	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000001	<i>Potos flavus</i>	KINKAJOU
000002	<i>Cephalophus monticola</i>	BLUE DUIKER
000007	<i>Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris</i>	CAPYBARA
000001	<i>Leopardus pardalis</i>	OCELOT
000003	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>	CANADIAN LYNX
000001	<i>Potamochoerus porcus</i>	RED RIVER HOG
000007	<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>	WHITE-TAILED DEER
000002	<i>Panthera onca</i>	JAGUAR
000002	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	TIGER
000001	<i>Uncia uncia</i>	SNOW LEOPARD
000005	<i>Hexaprotodon liberiensis</i>	PYGMY HIPPOPOTAMUS
000002	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION
000001	<i>Ursus americanus</i>	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000004	<i>Equus quagga</i>	BURCHELL'S / GRANT'S / CHAPMAN'S / PLAINS ZEBRA
000001	<i>Rhinoceros unicornis</i>	INDIAN RHINOCEROS
000001	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA
000002	<i>Cervus elaphus canadensis</i>	ELK
000001	<i>Canis lupus dingo</i>	DINGO
000002	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	GIRAFFE
000002	<i>Damaliscus pygargus</i>	BONTEBOK / BLESBOK
000002	<i>Nanger dama</i>	ADDRA GAZELLE
000003	<i>Bison bison</i>	AMERICAN BISON
000005	<i>Tragelaphus eurycerus</i>	BONGO
000002	<i>Tragelaphus strepsiceros</i>	GREATER KUDU
000012	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000001	<i>Cephalophus rufilatus</i>	RED-FLANKED DUIKER
000004	<i>Kobus megaceros</i>	NILE LECHWE

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