



## Inspection Report

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Niagara Aquarium Foundation  
701 Whirlpool Street  
Niagara Falls, NY 14301

Customer ID: **2132**  
Certificate: **21-C-0048**  
Site: 001  
Aquarium of Niagara Falls

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 28-MAR-2024

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### 3.101(a)(1) Critical

#### Facilities, general.

In August, a grey seal "Medusa" was hauled out of the water for a training session and a rock from the back wall of her primary enclosure fell on her, breaking a bone and causing her to lose a nail on her right front flipper. The enclosure is comprised of a pool, haul out area and landscape rocks stacked in a retaining wall pattern. On inspection, the inspector could easily move and shift loose rocks around the wall which have a potential to come off the wall and cause injury to the seals in the exhibit. The facility must ensure the enclosure is maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury.

Correct by: April 12, 2024

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

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Date:  
10-APR-2024

Received by Title: Facility Representative

Date:  
10-APR-2024



Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
2132	21-C-0048	001	Aquarium of Niagara Falls	28-MAR-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000015	<i>Spheniscus humboldti</i>	HUMBOLDT PENGUIN
000004	<i>Zalophus californianus</i>	CALIFORNIA SEA LION
000002	<i>Halichoerus grypus</i>	GREY SEAL
000002	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	HARBOR SEAL
000023	<b>Total</b>	