



## Inspection Report

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Exotic Animal Exhibits LLC  
3238 NC 111 South  
Pinetops, NC 27864

Customer ID: **328949**  
Certificate: **55-C-0294**  
Site: 001  
Exotic Animal Exhibits

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION  
Date: 04-APR-2024

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### 2.131(b)(1) Critical

#### Handling of animals.

An experienced, adult employee was pulled to the ground and significantly injured by a wolf/dog (WD) hybrid on 18March2024. The employee had just entered the enclosure to conduct routine daily cleaning when the attack occurred. The other employee already in the enclosure quickly interrupted the attack and both employees immediately left the enclosure. The injured employee required emergency medical care due to the severity of the bite injuries received to the right upper arm. The facility immediately reported the incident to the County Animal Control Director, who advised the facility that the animal must be euthanized for rabies testing. The Attending Veterinarian humanely euthanized the animal the same day and it was submitted for rabies testing. The rabies test results were negative.

Handling of a WD in a manner that did not protect the employee from injury resulted in serious injury to the employee and the death of the animal.

The regulations state that handling of all animals shall be done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort.

Corrected prior to inspection.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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**Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
328949	55-C-0294	001	Exotic Animal Exhibits	04-APR-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000000	NONE	NONE
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