



Inspection Report

Whinneys Wagons Pony Rides & Petting Farm
8846 Winchester Rd
Fort Wayne, IN 46819

Customer ID: **330597**
Certificate: **32-C-0244**
Site: 001

WHINNEYS WAGONS PONY RIDES & PETTING FARM

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 19-JUL-2016

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FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

There were four rabbits observed during the inspection. Two of the rabbits were housed in a 2'x4' pen with plastic partitions as walls and had shavings. The pen was set up on the street as part of the street fair. The pens were on the black asphalt of the roadway. The temperature at street level by the rabbits was over 100 degF. There was no shade available for these rabbits. The event is schedule to continue for 4 more days and the weather is predicted to be extremely hot and humid.

Housing rabbits on a hot asphalt roadway without shelter may cause significant illness from heat exhaustion or even death.

Provide an area of shade for the rabbits in the pen.

To be corrected by close of business July 19, 2016..

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PRIMARY ENCLOSURES.

Two of the four rabbits were housed in an open top pen. The other two rabbits were tethered by harnesses to the outside of the enclosure. When the inspector arrived at the event, around 4:40 pm, there was no staff present observing the animals. At approximately 5:20 pm the licensee arrived and began giving pony rides. The animals were not immediately checked. The loose rabbit was not noticed until the inspector brought it to the licensee's attention during the inspection. The licensee said the rabbit had been in a harness when she last checked sometime around noon. The licensee left the area for the afternoon. The harness could be seen under one of the sandbags near the enclosure. The rabbit had apparently gotten stuck and wiggled out of the harness. The licensee stated that the exhibit had been set up previously and that the animals had been left overnight. They were checked in the morning and again at noontime.

The primary enclosure should provide a safe environment for the animals. It is required to adequately contain the animals and protect them from predators.

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The open top pen, the use of tethering while unattended, loose rabbits outside the enclosure put these rabbits at great risk of injury or death.

Provide adequate enclosures that ensure the safety and well-being of the rabbits.

Harness use must be restricted to times of direct supervision is provided.

Correct by close of business July 19, 2016.

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FACILITIES, GENERAL.

There were sheep and goats housed inside metal panel fencing. The animals had shavings. Some of them were tethered to the side rails.

The primary enclosure for all animals needs to safely contain the animals. Tethering an unsupervised animal is never allowed.

The use of a tether puts the animal at great risk of injury.

Provide adequate enclosures to ensure the animals are contained safely within the primary enclosure.

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FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

The area set up for the sheep and goats did not have any shade provided. The animals were all observed panting. In the corner next to the pen, a fan was set up. Two of the animals housed in that pen were pushing and leaning out of the pen to be in the breeze of the fan.

Direct sunlight on animals can cause heat stress quickly and puts the animals at risk of illness or death.

Provide shade for the animals to prevent direct sunlight from causing distress.

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Inspection conducted at an event at the Circus City Festival, Peru, IN.
Exit interview conducted with facility representative and ACI Linn.

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Species Inspected

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330597	32-C-0244	001	WHINNEYS WAGONS PONY RIDES & PETTING FARM	19-JUL-16

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000003	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000004	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	EUROPEAN RABBIT
000004	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000001	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000012	Total	