



## Inspection Report

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AMBER ELK RANCH  
4555 W Meisenheimer Rd.  
LUDINGTON, MI 49431

Customer ID: **23083**  
Certificate: **34-C-0363**  
Site: 001  
AMBER ELK RANCH

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 01-JUN-2023

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### 3.127(a)

#### Facilities, outdoor.

There are currently 3 out of 8 primary enclosures for elk that have no natural or artificial shade provided. The first enclosure houses yearlings and has approximately 22 elk contained. The second and third enclosures housed approximately 20 bull elk each. The temperature taken with a Ketstrel in front of the first enclosure was 94.2 degrees F. The temperature taken in front of the second enclosure was 92.5 degrees F. The temperature taken in front of the third enclosure was 87 degrees F. The sun was full at time of inspection with very few clouds. In the remaining enclosures that did provide natural shade the majority of the elk were in the shade.

When sunlight is likely to cause overheating or discomfort of the animals, sufficient shade by natural or artificial means shall be provided to allow all animals kept outdoors to protect themselves from direct sunlight.

All animals housed outdoors must be provided shade from direct rays of the sunlight. It is especially important to provide shade at times of extreme heat to prevent discomfort and/or overheating of the animals contained in the enclosures.

To be corrected by June 5, 2023.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
23083	34-C-0363	001	AMBER ELK RANCH	01-JUN-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>	WHITE-TAILED DEER
000101	<i>Cervus canadensis</i>	ELK / WAPITI
000103	<b>Total</b>	