

# United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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# **Inspection Report**

Robert Childress

Customer ID: 9727

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Certificate: 56-C-0121

Easley, SC 29641

Site: TRA

ROBERT CHILDRESS

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 21-MAR-2016

# 2.75(b)(1) REPEAT

#### **RECORDS: DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS.**

\*\* Acquisition records were not updated or accurate for the animals traveling with the circus. There was a baby goat that was born a week ago that was not recorded. Records must be kept and accurately maintained to ensure compliance with the regulations of the Animal Welfare Act and to allow tracking of animals for health and ownership purposes. The records shall include any offspring born of any animal while in his or her possession or under his or her control. The records must be present to reflect the current inventory of animals, including the species, sex, date of acquisition, name, address, driver's license number and state, and vehicle license number and state of the person from whom animals were purchased or otherwise acquired. Record keeping was explained to the caretaker during the inspection.

#### 2.131(c)(1)

#### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

\*\* During exhibition there was a young girl poking the animals with a rod through the portable primary enclosure. There were no barriers between the animal and the public to ensure there well-being. When I made the public attendant aware of the incident while it was occurring they did not respond. I explained the significance of managing such incidences from occurring for the health of the animal and the safety of the public. During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public. Correct by March 28, 2016.

#### 3.125(a) REPEAT

#### **FACILITIES, GENERAL.**

\*\* When the animals in traveling exhibits are taken out of the transport enclosures, they need to be contained in enclosures which protect the animals from injury and contain the animals. During this travel inspection, two male goats were found individually tied by a dog leash and collar to a portable enclosure containing six goats. There is no primary or secondary containment to protect them from unwanted animals or public. The easy attack of a loose dog less than a year ago injuring two of the goats shows this "set up" is not safe for the animals. Being tethered does not protect them from predators and does not keep the public out unless supervised. It could also lead to

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entanglement or the inability to escape any potential dangers.

\*\* The camel that was tied up with a lead rope to the trailer during its down time between shows was reluctant to cush on the gravel substrate that was under him. It was explained to the manager that if the camel was provided the proper materials or substrate appropriate for the camel to cush, it would probably do so. About 20 minutes later the camel willingly cushed on its on without coercion. The facility must be constructed of such material as appropriate for the animals involved.

#### 3.133

#### SEPARATION.

\*\* In the portable primary enclosure containing 6 goats there was a 1 year old female chasing and head butting two 4 month old goats. Also the 4 month old goats were chasing the 1 week old baby goat. Animals housed in the same primary enclosure must be compatible. Animals shall not be housed near animals that interfere with their health or cause them discomfort. The mother and baby goat were relocated inside of the trailer but the 4 month old goats remained in the enclosure. Correct by March 28,2016.

The inspection was conducted at the 1220 Cafe in Tallassee, AL.

The exit interview was conducted with the Manager.

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# **Species Inspected**

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Count Scientific Name Common Name

000001 Camelus dromedarius domestic DOMESTIC DROMEDARY CAMEL

000008 Capra hircus DOMESTIC GOAT **000009** Total