



Inspection Report

The Wilds

14000 International Road
Cumberland, OH 43732

Customer ID: **2292**

Certificate: **31-C-0052**

Site: 001

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Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 06-FEB-2024

2.40(b)(3)

Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care (dealers and exhibitors).

The facility failed to perform daily observations for a 3.5-year-old male Sichuan takin (Yellow tag #78) that was found deceased in a lake on the property. According to necropsy records dated July 22, 2023, the carcass was "severely autolyzed" and there was "severe, diffuse bloating/swelling noted affecting every part of the body" [...] "Skin was diffusely sloughing off[f] and was missing on several portions of the carcass. Horns and hooves easily sloughing off as carcass was manipulated. Numerous patches of myriad small white maggots noted on hair and skin surface." The necropsy report lists the standard diagnosis as a puncture wound.

For this degree of decomposition to have occurred, the daily observation of the Sichuan takin male was insufficient to recognize this animal was ultimately missing entirely for several days, and that he had been injured prior to going missing. Staff stated they observe animals at feeding in the morning and if all animals are not seen, they attempt to observe them later in the day. Evidently, this animal was not accounted for several days. When this happens, the facility needs to develop and establish a protocol for additional measures to be taken to achieve the goal of observing each animal daily. Failure to do so may result in delayed detection and treatment of health or well-being issues. Correct by: February 28, 2024.

2.131(b)(1)

Critical

Handling of animals.

On December 22, 2023, a 14.5-year-old Przewalski's Horse stallion was injured as a result of improper handling. The facility reported that a truck hauling a trailer containing two mares was being driven into the pasture occupied by the Przewalski's Horses. According to facility staff, the stallion came running to the truck in response to the mares, suddenly made a change in direction, and collided into the front of the truck. The attending veterinarian was immediately called and provided treatment for the stallion. The Attending Veterinarian determined that the Przewalski's Horse fractured his right hind leg which required surgical treatment.

Przewalski's Horses are known to be reactive/flighty. Driving two mares into a pasture containing a stallion without confining or restraining him was an unnecessary risk. Additionally, the driver of the truck failed to stop the truck or make modifications to their route when noticing the stallion was overstimulated by the mares. This stallion was significantly injured as a result of this unnecessary risk. Handling of all animals shall be done as carefully as possible and in a manner

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that does not cause trauma, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort to the animals. To correct, the facility should review transportation and animal introduction protocols, as well as train employees on proper implementation of such protocols. Correct by: February 28, 2024.

3.125(c)

Facilities, general.

The bedding for carnivores is not being stored in a manner that protects the supplies from contamination. The bedding is being stored in a shipping container behind the carnivore compound that has several holes in the trailer at the base on the right side and at the roof seam. There was evidence of rodent droppings in the trailer near the bedding. Bedding contaminated with rodent droppings may be a source for disease transmission to the regulated animals. This storage area must be addressed to protect the bedding supplies from potential pest contamination.

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3.154

Environment enhancement to promote psychological well-being.

Although the facility provides enrichment to the birds, they do not have an environmental enhancement plan in place to promote the overall psychological well-being of the birds at the facility. Exhibitors must develop, document, and follow a species appropriate plan for the environmental enhancement to promote the psychological well-being of the birds that is within industry standards and approved by the attending veterinarian. This plan must be made available for future inspections.

Correct by: Feb 28, 2024

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000010	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	CHEETAH
000008	<i>Cuon alpinus</i>	DHOLE
000009	<i>Bos javanicus</i>	BANTENG
000008	<i>Lycaon pictus</i>	AFRICAN HUNTING DOG / AFRICAN WILD DOG
000020	<i>Ceratotherium simum</i>	WHITE RHINOCEROS
000017	<i>Equus hemionus</i>	ASIATIC WILD ASS / PERSIAN ONAGER
000013	<i>Equus caballus przewalskii</i>	PRZEWALSKI'S WILD HORSE
000002	<i>Camelus bactrianus</i>	BACTRIAN CAMEL
000009	<i>Equus grevyi</i>	GREVY'S ZEBRA
000006	<i>Oryx beisa</i>	EAST AFRICAN ORYX
000007	<i>Rhinoceros unicornis</i>	INDIAN RHINOCEROS
000003	<i>Cervus nippon</i>	SIKA DEER
000095	<i>Cervus hanglu</i>	TARIM RED DEER / BACTRIAN DEER
000080	<i>Elaphurus davidianus</i>	PERE DAVID'S DEER
000005	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	GIRAFFE
000015	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>	COMMON ELAND
000053	<i>Budorcas taxicolor</i>	TAKIN
000002	<i>Naemorhedus griseus</i>	CHINESE GORAL
000002	<i>Hippotragus niger</i>	SABLE ANTELOPE
000014	<i>Oryx dammah</i>	SCIMITAR-HORNED ORYX
000003	<i>Struthio camelus</i>	COMMON OSTRICH
000005	<i>Grus japonensis</i>	RED-CROWNED CRANE / JAPANESE CRANE
000386	Total	