



Inspection Report

Flamingo Las Vegas
Attn: Wildlife Dept
3555 Las Vegas Blvd S.
Las Vegas, NV 89109

Customer ID: **11767**
Certificate: **88-C-0227**
Site: 002
Flamingo Las Vegas

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 27-FEB-2025

2.40(b)(3) Critical

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

A male Ringed Teal duck has been missing since 12/09/2024. The keepers conducted several attempts to relocate the duck however, at this time the keepers conclude the duck has escaped or possibly died. The ducks at this facility are flight-restricted and are allowed to roam free within the outdoor housing facility.

Failure to conduct daily observations of this bird does not allow for accountability of the bird in the collection or for monitoring changes in health status or injury, which may lead to animal death. Daily observation of all animals must be performed to assess their health and well-being. A mechanism of direct and frequent communication is required so that timely and accurate information on problems of animal health, behavior and well-being is conveyed to the attending veterinarian.

Correct from this day, 03/06/2025, forward.

2.131(c)(1) Critical

Handling of animals.

There have been two incidents within the past year in which this facility handled its birds in a manner which posed a risk of harm to the animal and to the public due to insufficient barriers between the animals and the public.

-On 01/18/2025, a member of the public was able pass through public barriers including bushes and a water-filled moat to access the Flamingo Island, where 7 Chilean Flamingos are housed as well as several free-roaming waterfowl. According to facility representatives based on video surveillance, the individual walked around the entire island for approximately 10-15 minutes including through the group of flamingos. And records state during this event, "the flamingos were moving very quickly trying to avoid her, running, slipping, sliding in the mud, jumping over large rocks to dodge her and falling all over the place. Several times the flamingos were seen face planting into their shallow pond and on the dirt/grass areas." Following this incident, although the staff did not find any external injuries or wounds to the flamingos, records show they were immediately found to be anxious, skittish, and acting unusual. The staff reported lots of flagging and alerting from the group and pacing by one of the males. Overall, a majority of the flamingos continue to exhibit some abnormal and anxious behaviors according to staff. Also noted was one Whistler duck which was observed to be limping on its right foot following the incident.

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-On 03/10/2024, a member of the public was able to access the Flamingo Island where a flock of 7 flamingos are housed. Records show a morning keeper noticed that in the cave shelter were open containers, displaced items and supplies, and some mirrors pulled down from the walls and onto the ground. According to the keepers, there were no physical injuries to the flamingos observed following this incident, however they showed a decrease in appetite and evidence of stress and anxiety including increased flagging, searching, and calling behaviors.

Ineffective barriers which allow the public to gain access to animal housing areas does not assure the safety of the public or the animals. Members of the public may become injured if the animals become unexpectedly startled or stressed, and the animals may experience severe behavioral stress, injury or death from encountering the public inside their enclosure. 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 the animals and the public.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i>	BROWN PELICAN
000018	<i>Spatula cyanoptera</i>	CINNAMON TEAL
000007	<i>Phoenicopterus chilensis</i>	CHILEAN FLAMINGO
000001	<i>Ara chloropterus</i>	RED-AND-GREEN MACAW / GREEN-WINGED MACAW
000005	<i>Aix galericulata</i>	MANDARIN DUCK
000003	<i>Netta rufina</i>	RED-CRESTED POCHARD
000004	<i>Callonetta leucophrys</i>	RINGED TEAL
000001	<i>Radjah radjah</i>	RADJAH SHELDUCK
000003	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	WHITE-FACED WHISTLING-DUCK
000010	<i>Aix sponsa</i>	WOOD DUCK / CAROLINA DUCK
000053	Total	