



Inspection Report

Tiger Family Entertainment
2976 E. State St Suite 120 #211
Eagle, ID 83616

Customer ID: **601858**

Certificate: **82-C-0087**

Site: 004

Blue Zoo--Baton Rouge

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 06-DEC-2024

3.150(a) Critical Repeat

Facilities, general.

On 12/1/2024 a parakeet was found flying outside the aviary enclosure in the adjacent guest playroom which houses an open topped shark tank. Prior to catching the loose parakeet a staff member found it dead and floating in the shark tank. Guests leaving the walk-in aviary are required to wait inside an exit room that is separated from the feeding room by a closed door. The exit room is also roped off inside a secondary exit door until the attendant releases the guests, and no birds were noted to have escaped after an encounter. Birds that are not protected from escape, hazards, or predation may suffer from stress, injury, or death. Prior to the inspection exit briefing on 12/6/2024, a 5ft x 2ft full-length mirror was placed in the secondary exit room to facilitate visualization of a bird that may try to escape sitting on a guest after an encounter.

Housing facilities must be designed and constructed so that they are structurally sound for the species of birds housed in them, employ measures that contain all birds securely, and protect the birds from injury.

2.131(c)(1) Critical Repeat

Handling of animals.

One parakeet in the walk-in aviary was killed on 11/11/2024 when stepped on by a guest. Prior to this occurrence guests were allowed to enter the atrium to feed a seed mixture to the birds from a ladle-like tool that has an attached bowl on the end. During feeding, some seed falls on the ground. The birds land on the ground to get the spilled seed which puts them at risk of injury and death. Prior to the inspection on 12/6/2024 the facility switched to a larger pelleted feed which reduces the potential for feed spilled on the floor and guests are now required to sit on benches during the interaction. After an encounter but before guests stand up from the bench, an attendant claps and encourages the birds to fly back to their roosting tree.

The facility must take measures to ensure safe handling with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the birds and the general viewing public to assure the health and safety of all animals.

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
000100	<i>Melopsittacus undulatus</i>	BUDGERIGAR / BUDGIE / COMMON PARAKEET / SHELL PARAKEET
000100	Total	