



Inspection Report

S & S Exotic Animals Inc.
1711 CONNORVALE
HOUSTON, TX 77039

Customer ID: **5730**
Certificate: **74-B-0469**
Site: 002
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Type: RE-LICENSE INSPECTION
Date: 18-NOV-2021

3.125(a)

Facilities, general.

There was a ferret that was being kept on the floor in a small, plastic bin in one of the indoor housing areas that managed to crawl up and out of it during the inspection. As it was trying to escape the bin, one of the fellow inspectors pointed it out to the licensee, and she was able to grab it. There were also several rusted and jagged sharp steel points within the binturong enclosure, along the back and back-right sides midway up from the ground. Primary enclosures that do not maintain the animal therein allow the opportunity for injury and/or death. Primary enclosures that are not well-maintained allow the opportunity for animals to be injured and can negatively impact their well-being. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities must be structurally sound and must contain the animals.

Correct by: Both issues were addressed at the time of inspection.

3.131(c)

Sanitation.

There was an open bag of rat poison pellets sitting atop a small plank above the sink in the hedgehog breeding shelter. Just to the left of this plank, down on the floor, was a plastic bin housing a pair of breeding hedgehogs, where if the bag were accidentally knocked over, it could have easily fallen into the enclosure with the animals. In the enclosure housing

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two binturong's, there was also a live electrical cord (for their heating source) draped along the top left side of the enclosure that was easily accessible to the animals. If ingested, rat poison could kill the hedgehogs. The cord poses a well-being hazard to the binturong's as if chewed, could kill them. Premises (buildings and grounds) must be kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury.

Correct by: The bag of rat poison was correct at the time of inspection. Correction date for the cord is December 2, 2021.

3.131(d)

Sanitation.

During the inspection there was an excessive (too numerous to count) number of flies in the following areas: the outdoor food prep area; atop the fresh produce inside the binturong, pig, African crested porcupine, and kinkajou enclosures. There were numerous (at least 8), feral cats roaming the outdoor premises of the facility as well, where some were freely entering and exiting a couple of the breeding shelters housing sugar gliders and ground squirrels. Finally, there was a German roach crawling within the bedding inside an indoor enclosure housing spiny mice. Pests – in this case the cats, flies, and roach - can harbor and introduce diseases to other animals, which could negatively affect the health and overall well-being of those animals. A safe and effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasite, and avian and mammalian pests must be established and maintained.

Correct by: December 16, 2021

This was the 1st, out of 3, attempts to pass the re-license inspection. There are now 2 remaining attempts.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
001287	<i>Petaurus breviceps</i>	SUGAR GLIDER
000308	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000135	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000027	<i>Monodelphis domestica</i>	GREY SHORT-TAILED OPOSSUM
000005	<i>Bos primigenius indicus</i>	ZEBU
000002	<i>Phacochoerus africanus</i>	WARTHOG
000158	<i>Mesocricetus auratus</i>	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER
000001	<i>Nasua nasua</i>	SOUTH AMERICAN COATI
000001	<i>Tamandua tetradactyla</i>	SOUTHERN TAMANDUA
000003	<i>Echinops telfairi</i>	LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG
000062	<i>Acomys cahirinus</i>	CAIRO SPINY MOUSE
000025	<i>Millardia meltada</i>	SOFT-FURRED FIELD RAT / SOFT-FURRED METAD
000043	<i>Spermophilus richardsonii</i>	RICHARDSON'S GROUND SQUIRREL
000002	<i>Arctictis binturong</i>	BINTURONG
000005	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000002	<i>Peromyscus polionotus</i>	OLDFIELD MOUSE
000019	<i>Potos flavus</i>	KINKAJOU
000002	<i>Hystrix indica</i>	INDIAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
000054	<i>Mus musculus</i>	HOUSE MOUSE / LAB MOUSE
000124	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>	BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG
000004	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>	NORWAY RAT / LAB RAT (COMMON RESEARCH/PET VARIETY)
000001	<i>Glaucomys sabrinus</i>	NORTHERN FLYING SQUIRREL
000002	<i>Meriones unguiculatus</i>	MONGOLIAN GERBIL
000006	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000003	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000001	<i>Liberiictis kuhni</i>	LIBERIAN CUSIMANSE
000013	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000014	<i>Mustela putorius furo</i>	DOMESTIC FERRET
000098	<i>Octodon degus</i>	DEGU
000001	<i>Sus barbatus</i>	BEARDED PIG
000027	<i>Graphiurus lorrainae</i>	AFRICAN DORMOUSE
000003	<i>Hystrix cristata</i>	AFRICAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
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