



Inspection Report

ST AUGUSTINE ALLIGATOR FARM
999 ANASTASIA BLVD
SAINT AUGUSTINE, FL 32080

Customer ID: **3100**

Certificate: **58-C-0966**

Site: 001

ST AUGUSTINE ALLIGATOR
FARM

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 21-JAN-2022

2.131(b)(1) Critical

Handling of animals.

In May 2021, two keepers attempted to capture a male Prevost squirrel for transport to the facility's quarantine. The main keeper that worked with the Prevost squirrel attempted to voluntarily capture the animal; however, after several unsuccessful attempts the animal was hand contained and transferred into a transport cage, totaling a time span of 45 minutes from initial attempt to final capture. Approximately an hour or so later, a keeper checked on the squirrel in its cage, and was observed, per the facility, walking around with an abnormal, drunken gait. The keeper called for assistance and eventually the Bird and Mammal Curator was called. The attending veterinarian was contacted and instructed that the staff administer Pedialyte and prepare subcutaneous fluids but when the staff entered the enclosure to administer the SQ fluids, the squirrel was found deceased. A necropsy report found incidental disease findings as well as evidence of stress-related pathologic findings. Although both keepers were trained on the proper methods to capture an animal, the continuous unsuccessful attempts to capture the squirrel over the span of approximately 45 minutes negatively impacted the health and welfare of the animal. Handling of all animals shall be done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort.

Correct by January 31st, 2022.

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Date:

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the Mammal and Bird Curator, General Curator and Director.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
3100	58-C-0966	001	ST AUGUSTINE ALLIGATOR FARM	21-JAN-2022

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Callithrix geoffroyi</i>	WHITE-FRONTED MARMOSET
000001	<i>Saguinus oedipus</i>	COTTON-TOP TAMARIN
000002	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000001	<i>Dasyprocta leporina</i>	BRAZILIAN AGOUTI
000002	<i>Coendou prehensilis</i>	PREHENSILE-TAILED PORCUPINE
000002	<i>Callosciurus prevostii</i>	PREVOST'S SQUIRREL / TRI-COLORED SQUIRREL
000001	<i>Dasytus novemcinctus</i>	NINE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000003	<i>Varecia rubra</i>	RED RUFFED LEMUR
000002	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000002	<i>Choloepus hoffmanni</i>	HOFFMANN'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000002	<i>Leontopithecus rosalia</i>	GOLDEN LION TAMARIN
000002	<i>Varecia variegata</i>	BLACK-AND-WHITE RUFFED LEMUR
000022	Total	