



## Inspection Report

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Thompson Park Conservancy, Inc  
1 Thompson Park  
Watertown, NY 13601

Customer ID: **2353**  
Certificate: **21-C-0311**  
Site: 001  
Thompson Park Zoo

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 24-OCT-2023

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### 2.131(c)(1)

#### Handling of animals.

Currently there is no barrier between the public and the enclosures housing the goats and pig, and no attendant present. This is not designed as a contact yard and when an attendant is not present, a barrier of sufficient distance must be in place to assure the safety of the goats and the public.  
Correct by: Oct 28, 2023

### 3.50(a)

#### Facilities, general.

A rabbit is housed in an enclosure in which 10-20% of the linoleum or laminate flooring has been chewed away, exposing the wooden floor beneath. This presents a risk of injury from ingestion of foreign material. Further, the enclosure is no longer in good repair and cannot be cleaned and maintained appropriately. Rabbits must be housed in enclosures that are structurally sound and are maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate sanitation.  
Correct by: Nov 1, 2023.

### 3.126(c)

#### Facilities, indoor.

The lighting within a barn housing multiple mammals is inadequate. Due to poor electric maintenance of the facility, overhead lighting in the skunk and porcupine enclosures is inconsistent. Single windows within the affected enclosures are too small to provide adequate lighting on their own. Together, these conditions mean the animals are housed in inappropriately dark conditions for much of the day, making observation and sanitation difficult. Lighting within enclosures should be of good quality, distribution, and duration as appropriate, and of sufficient intensity to promote routine inspection and cleaning.  
Correct by Nov 9, 2023

### 3.150(b)

#### Facilities, general.

The chicken shelter/coop needs to be addressed. There are cleaning tools stored in the coop up against the walls that are not secured. This can pose a potential hazard to the chickens when they are active in the coop and tools shift or fall. In addition, there is an excessive amount of dust on the fans and lights that needs to be cleaned. Housing facilities must be

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kept neat and free of clutter to promote good housekeeping practices for the health of the birds.

The area outside the vulture enclosure needs to be addressed. Currently the facility is pulling the indoor/outdoor carpet that is soiled and leaving it indoors adjacent to the enclosure. This is contributing to a strong odor in the area. To promote good housekeeping, soiled carpets should be removed and cleaned prior to being stored in the area.

Correct by: Oct 31, 2023

### 3.151(c)

#### Facilities, indoor

Several bird species are housed in the mews behind the main building that were recently winterized. The lighting in the enclosures is not working properly and several times it would begin to flicker and then just go out, leaving the pigeon in darkness. The lighting in this area needs to be addressed to assure the birds have a natural light cycle with lighting that is on for the duration of the daylight hours.

Correct by: Nov 9, 2023

### 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 environmental enhancement to promote the psychological well being of the birds that is within industry standards and approved by the veterinarian. Additionally, this plan must address under 3.154 c(3) the special considerations for the single housed turkey vulture that does not have access to hear and see other bird species. The plan must be made available for future inspections.

Correct by: Nov 1, 2023

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

Additional Inspectors:

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### Species Inspected

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2353	21-C-0311	001	Thompson Park Zoo	24-OCT-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000004	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000001	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000002	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000003	<i>Canis lupus</i>	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000001	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000003	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>	CANADIAN LYNX
000001	<i>Lynx rufus</i>	BOBCAT
000002	<i>Erethizon dorsatum</i>	NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE
000003	<i>Ursus americanus</i>	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000002	<i>Lontra canadensis</i>	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000005	<i>Cervus canadensis</i>	ELK / WAPITI
000001	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000002	<i>Didelphis virginiana</i>	VIRGINIA OPOSSUM
000002	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>	STRIPED SKUNK
000001	<i>Felis catus</i>	CAT ADULT
000007	<i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i>	DOMESTIC CHICKEN (INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS / TURKIN / COCK / HEN / ROOSTER)
000001	<i>Petrophassa albipennis</i>	WHITE-QUILLED ROCK-PIGEON
000001	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	BALD EAGLE
000001	<i>Bubo scandiacus</i>	SNOWY OWL
000001	<i>Strix varia</i>	BARRED OWL
000002	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	TURKEY VULTURE
000001	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>	RED-TAILED HAWK
000002	<i>Corvus corax</i>	COMMON RAVEN
000049	<b>Total</b>	