



Inspection Report

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Customer ID: **2572**
Certificate: **14-C-0043**
Site: 001
CURIOUS CREATURES

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 07-OCT-2019

2.75(b)(1)(v)

RECORDS: DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS.

There were incomplete records of animal disposition. The disposition and date of transportation, sale, or death of animals since last inspection had not been recorded.

Complete records of the animals currently being housed, including their disposition by transportation, sale, euthanasia, or otherwise, is necessary in order to accurately track animals to ensure humane care and use of the animals.

Exhibitors must make, keep, and maintain records which fully and correctly disclose information concerning animals purchased or otherwise acquired, owned, held, leased, or otherwise in his or her possession or under his or her control, or which is transported, sold, euthanized, or otherwise disposed of by that dealer or exhibitor.

To be corrected by October 21st, 2019.

3.132 CRITICAL

EMPLOYEES.

At this facility, flying squirrels are housed in an appropriate enclosure in the mammal room, and this enclosure is routinely cleaned by animal care staff. In July 2019 after routine duties, an employee left the enclosure door open, failing to ensure that the animals were safely contained. One flying squirrel escaped the enclosure, and was outside the enclosure for an unknown duration of time. The animal was found during routine cleaning of the environment and replaced in its enclosure. The licensee stated that the animal appeared to be behaving normally at that time, but was found dead the following day.

Employees that are involved in the care of animals must be adequately trained in order to maintain professionally accepted husbandry standards. Acceptable husbandry standards include handling and enclosure use that results in the safe containment of the animals. In this instance, an inadequately trained employee failed to secure the animal's enclosure, which led to the escape of a flying squirrel. While outside of the enclosure, the animal did not have reliable access to food and water, and may have been subjected to additional exposures or stressors that were

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hazardous to its health. The animal passed away within 24 hours of being recovered.

Employees must be trained to ensure that the husbandry practices maintained at this facility are professionally acceptable, including the safe containment of animals within their enclosures.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted on site with the licensee.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
2572	14-C-0043	001	CURIOUS CREATURES	07-OCT-19

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000005	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000002	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000005	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA (DOMESTICATED)
000001	<i>Glaucomys sabrinus</i>	NORTHERN FLYING SQUIRREL
000001	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>	STRIPED SKUNK
000002	<i>Mustela putorius furo</i>	DOMESTIC FERRET
000007	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000023	Total	