



Inspection Report

Essex County Turtle Back Zoo
560 Northfield Ave
West Orange, NJ 07052

Customer ID: **2051**

Certificate: **22-C-0141**

Site: 001

County of Essex Turtle Back Zoo

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 24-OCT-2022

3.109 Critical

Separation.

Two adult male California sea lions housed in the same enclosure had injuries to the head/neck area attributed to bites due to fighting. The inspector observed, via photographs provided by zoo staff, two-2-to-3-inch white lines that appeared to be healed lacerations on the left side of the face below the eye and ear, and lateral to the mouth on the sea lion 'Zeus'. According to the keeper log dated 8/19/22, it was noted that there were facial injuries on the two adult male sea lions ('Porter' and 'Zeus') and that 'both intact males currently were in rut'. The log further states that the adult male 'Zeus' "did not participate the rest of the day but was visual at a distance." Medical documentation indicated that 'Zeus' had a loss of appetite for a few days. 'Zeus' was placed on pain medication for 3 days and directions to flush the wounds were given by the attending veterinarian.

Marine mammals that are not compatible must not be housed in the same enclosure. Marine mammals must not be housed near other animals that cause them unreasonable stress or discomfort or interfere with their good health. The facility must ensure that sea lions that physically harm other animals are appropriately separated or are environmentally, behaviorally, or medically managed to mitigate the chance of physical injury. The facility must ensure that physical attacks are prevented for the health and well-being of all of the resident sea lions.

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TO BE CORRECTED: FROM THIS DATE FORWARD (11-3-22)

This inspection and exit briefing were conducted with the facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Tolypeutes matacus</i>	SOUTHERN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000002	<i>Saguinus imperator</i>	EMPEROR TAMARIN
000001	<i>Hystrix cristata</i>	AFRICAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
000003	<i>Neofelis nebulosa</i>	CLOUDED LEOPARD
000001	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>	STRIPED SKUNK
000002	<i>Galago moholi</i>	SENEGAL BUSHBABY
000004	<i>Nomascus leucogenys</i>	WHITE-CHEEKED GIBBON
000010	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000003	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000002	<i>Canis lupus</i>	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000002	<i>Chrysocyon brachyurus</i>	MANED WOLF
000002	<i>Panthera onca</i>	JAGUAR
000003	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	LEOPARD
000002	<i>Uncia uncia</i>	SNOW LEOPARD
000002	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION
000003	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000001	<i>Lynx rufus</i>	BOBCAT
000007	<i>Sekeetamys calurus</i>	BUSHY-TAILED JIRD
000003	<i>Coendou prehensilis</i>	PREHENSILE-TAILED PORCUPINE
000042	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>	BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG
000002	<i>Callosciurus prevostii</i>	PREVOST'S SQUIRREL / TRI-COLORED SQUIRREL
000001	<i>Damaliscus pygargus</i>	BONTEBOK / BLESBOK
000003	<i>Bison bison</i>	AMERICAN BISON
000001	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000002	<i>Ursus americanus</i>	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000006	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	GIRAFFE
000003	<i>Crocuta crocuta</i>	SPOTTED HYENA
000001	<i>Macropus giganteus</i>	EASTERN GREY KANGAROO
000002	<i>Lontra canadensis</i>	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000003	<i>Ailurus fulgens</i>	RED PANDA
000004	<i>Echinops telfairi</i>	LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG TENREC
000030	<i>Notamacropus rufogriseus</i>	BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY
000019	<i>Fukomys damarensis</i>	DAMARA / DAMARALAND MOLE-RAT / DAMARALAND BLES MOL
000004	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000001	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000002	<i>Bos primigenius indicus</i>	ZEBU
000002	<i>Zalophus californianus</i>	CALIFORNIA SEA LION
000001	<i>Orycteropus afer</i>	AARDVARK
000001	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	CHEETAH



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000005	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>		DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG	
000001	<i>Nycticebus pygmaeus</i>		PYGMY SLOW LORIS	
000001	<i>Marmota monax</i>		GROUNDHOG / WOODCHUCK	
000191	Total			