



Inspection Report

Carson & Barnes Circus
P. O. BOX J
HUGO, OK 74743

Customer ID: **3954**
Certificate: **73-C-0001**
Site: 001
CARSON & BARNES CIRCUS

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 22-MAR-2022

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Handling of animals.

Photographs and videos found on social media show members of the public having physical contact with elephants at the facility on multiple occasions over the past year. There were interactions utilizing physical barriers, and interactions utilizing free contact with the animals as well. In these photos, a trained handler is not visible or is too far away to exert direct control over the elephants. During the inspection, the facility confirmed the photos and videos were taken at their facility. Handlers must be positioned so that they can immediately intervene should the need arise. The facility must take steps to ensure the safety of all members of the public. Trained handlers must be present at or near the head of each elephant in any type of public contact. This includes feeding, grooming, and photo opportunities.

Correct from this time forward.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with licensee.

The following elephants were inspected:

Rosie, Bunny, Wimpy, Cameron, Val, Dory, Zola, Del Rita, Lily, Margaret, Obert, Tommy, Libby, Becky, Alta, Kelly, Lisa, Susie, Traci

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
3954	73-C-0001	001	CARSON & BARNES CIRCUS	22-MAR-2022

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000019	<i>Elephas maximus</i>	ASIAN ELEPHANT
000019	Total	