



Inspection Report

Critters Exotic Pets
600 A S Vallemills Dr
Waco, TX 76711

Customer ID: **328768**
Certificate: **74-B-0711**
Site: 001
Critters Exotic Pets

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 15-DEC-2014

2.131(c)(1)

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

During the inspection, there was a wallaby loose inside of the store and not inside of an enclosure during business hours. The licensee informed the inspector that the wallaby is used for exhibition purposes. Animals must be handled to minimize the risk of harm to the public or injury to the animal. There must be sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the public. This will assure the safety of the animals and the public.

To be corrected from this day forward.

3.126(b)

FACILITIES, INDOOR.

There is a strong ammonia odor at the entrance of the store and remained throughout the entire store during the inspection. Indoor housing facilities shall be adequately ventilated by natural or mechanical means to provide for the health and to prevent discomfort of the animals at all times. Such facilities shall be provided with fresh air either by means of windows, doors, vents, fans, or air-conditioning and shall be ventilated so as to minimize drafts, odors, and moisture condensation. Frequent cleaning of enclosures (as often as necessary) and increased ventilation will help maintain healthy air quality to protect the health and welfare of the animals.

To be corrected by December 24, 2014

3.129(b)

FEEDING.

Inside of cage # 7, which contains seven hedgehogs, there is an excessive amount of feces inside of the food bowl. Inadequate cleaning and sanitizing of receptacles can lead to contamination and potential for diseases. Food receptacles shall be kept clean and sanitary at all times to minimize contamination.

To be corrected from this day forward.

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3.131(a)

SANITATION.

Inside of cage # 12, which contains a ferret named Pena , there is an excessive amount of feces inside of the enclosure. Inside of cage # 8 housing four hedgehogs, there is an excessive accumulation of greenish/brown material on the exercise wheel. Excreta shall be removed as often as necessary to prevent contamination of the animals contained and to minimize disease hazards and reduce odors. The cleaning schedule of these enclosures should be more timely and effective to prevent the build-up of excreta.

To be corrected from this day forward.

3.131(c)

SANITATION.

The kitchen area has an accumulation of dirty bowls and debris scattered throughout the food preparation area. The sink has an accumulation of food particles along the edges of the sink and brownish material scattered on the walls of the kitchen. Lack of proper husbandry practices in the food preparation area could possibly lead to disease hazards and contamination of the food. Premises shall be kept clean and clear to protect the health of the animals.

To be corrected from this day forward.

3.131(d)

SANITATION.

Throughout the entire facility, there were an excessive amount of flies inside and outside of the animal enclosures. Flies harbor diseases and can contaminate the food in the receptacles. An effective pest control program needs to be established to control insects and ectoparasites. The pest control program shall be established and maintained.

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Inspection and exit interview conducted by APHIS personnel with facility representative.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
328768	74-B-0711	001	Critters Exotic Pets	15-DEC-14

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000011	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	HEDGEHOG
000001	<i>Callithrix jacchus</i>	COMMON MARMOSET
000030	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000001	<i>Cynomys gunnisoni</i>	GUNNISON'S PRAIRIE DOG
000002	<i>Muscardinus avellanarius</i>	HAZEL DORMOUSE
000001	<i>Nasua nasua</i>	SOUTH AMERICAN COATI
000010	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	EUROPEAN RABBIT
000012	<i>Petaurus breviceps</i>	SUGAR GLIDER
000001	<i>Petrogale lateralis</i>	BLACK-FOOTED ROCK WALLABY
000001	<i>Potos flavus</i>	KINKAJOU
000001	<i>Saguinus oedipus</i>	COTTON-TOP TAMARIN
000071	Total	