



Inspection Report

Thorni Ridge Exotics LLC
32541 Boonville Rd
Smithton, MO 65350

Customer ID: **500844**
Certificate: **43-C-0400**
Site: TRA
Thorni Ridge Exotics LLC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 30-JUL-2023

2.131(d)(2)

Handling of animals.

During inspection, employees were not easily identifiable as none of the employees had anything on that identified them as staff. While I was waiting for the licensee to show up to the main tent for inspection, I was not able to see any employee supervising or monitoring the animals that were on the south side of the tent. It is possible the employees were somewhere in the tent. The employee assigned to work the tent was difficult to identify due to the number of people in the tent and the fact that she is not easily identifiable as an employee. In addition, due to the number of members of the public present at this travel site, one person did not appear to provide sufficient coverage to be able to monitor and observe all the human/animal interactions that were going on in the tent. 6 employees were working to cover all the regulated animals that were on site. Three of the employees were working animal rides. One employee was bouncing back and forth between the animal rides and the main tent where the majority of the regulated animals were housed. One employee was working in the main tent (northeast side of tent) where the majority of the regulated animals were, but she was behind a table focusing on taking payment for feed to be handed out. With all the people and animals in the tent she would not be able to adequately monitor the south side of the tent. Another employee (and only employee) had the primary duties of working underneath the tent where the majority of the animals were housed. Not having enough employees and not having the employees being readily identifiable as employees doesn't ensure animal/human safety for all the regulated animals that were present. If a member of the public were to get injured, they may not be able to find help from the staff in an adequate amount of time. All employees need to be easily identifiable and there needs to be a sufficient number of employee to be able to adequately monitor all the human-animal interactions going on. Correct starting on 7/30/23.

3.79(d)

Mobile or traveling housing facilities.

An enclosure housing a spider monkey and a patas was 23 inches away from the outside fence of the tent. During inspection, I observed two people sticking their arms through the fence and up to the enclosure. Both nonhuman primates started to reach out to interact with the people that were reaching towards them. The licensee spoke up to stop both people from reaching out to the primates. However, the barrier doesn't adequately restrict physical contact between the nonhuman primates and the public. Physical contact between the public and nonhuman primates can result in the spread of disease between either party. In addition the nonhuman primates could bite and injure any person reaching out. An adequate barrier must be set up to prevent physical contact between the nonhuman primates and the public. Correct starting on 7/30/23.

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Note: This was corrected during inspection.

3.125(c)

Facilities, general.

During inspection, a pile of dry food near the bags of food was observed in one of the transport trailers. It appeared a bag of food had been opened and the food spilled onto the floor of the trailer. The exposed food could attract rodents and other pests. Spilled food and the food storage area must be cleaned up quickly and sufficiently so to not attract rodents and other pests. Correct starting on 7/30/23.

3.127(a)

Facilities, outdoor.

A camel used for camel rides did not have any shelter. The licensee stated the camel had a tent that covered approximately half the enclosure, but the tent blew over last night. There is nothing that provides any cover from the shade or elements of the weather. The lack of sufficient shelter decreases the protection of the camel from sunlight and inclement weather and increases the risk of their discomfort. The licensee must ensure that adequate natural or artificial shelter is provided for all of the animals in outdoor enclosures as required in this section at all times. Correct starting on 7/30/23.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

End of report.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
500844	43-C-0400	TRA	Thorni Ridge Exotics LLC	30-JUL-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000011	<i>Osphranter rufus</i>	RED KANGAROO
000003	<i>Dolichotis patagonum</i>	PATAGONIAN CAVY / MARA
000018	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000003	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000015	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000002	<i>Equus quagga</i>	BURCHELL'S / GRANT'S / CHAPMAN'S / PLAINS ZEBRA
000004	<i>Camelus dromedarius</i>	DROMEDARY CAMEL
000003	<i>Hystrix cristata</i>	AFRICAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
000002	<i>Bison bison</i>	AMERICAN BISON
000002	<i>Bubalus bubalis</i>	ASIATIC WATER BUFFALO
000005	<i>Bos primigenius indicus</i>	ZEBU
000003	<i>Bos taurus</i>	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000001	<i>Oryx dammah</i>	SCIMITAR-HORNED ORYX
000001	<i>Bos grunniens</i>	YAK
000001	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA
000001	<i>Erethizon dorsatum</i>	NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE
000001	<i>Erythrocebus patas</i>	PATAS MONKEY
000001	<i>Ateles geoffroyi</i>	BLACK-HANDED SPIDER MONKEY
000079	Total	