



Inspection Report

Norristown Zoological Society
1661 Harding Blvd
Norristown, PA 19401

Customer ID: 2228

Certificate: 23-C-0006

Site: 001

NORRISTOWN ZOOLOGICAL PARK

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 17-OCT-2016

2.132(d) CRITICAL

PROCUREMENT OF DOGS, CATS, AND OTHER ANIMALS; DEALERS.

Section 2.132(d) Procurement of dogs, cats, and other animals: The facility purchased two female Hartmann's mountain zebra on 6/06/16 from a person who does not hold a valid USDA license. Selling wild/exotic animals to an exhibitor requires a valid USDA license. Facilities with a valid USDA license are required to comply with the Animal Welfare Act regulations and standards to ensure the animals receive adequate care, including veterinary care, husbandry and recordkeeping requirements. This facility was cited under this section in 2013 for leasing a reindeer for a holiday exhibit from a person who did not have a valid USDA license. No exhibitor shall knowingly obtain any dog, cat or other animals from any person who is required to be licensed, but who does not hold a valid, and unsuspended license. Correct by only purchasing wild/exotic animals from people with a valid USDA license. Correct from this day forward.

3.125(a) CRITICAL

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

Section 3.125(a) Structural strength: A review of the prairie dog records during this inspection revealed that one young prairie dog was eaten by a red-tailed hawk on 5/28/16. The prairie dog enclosure is an outdoor enclosure that is open to the sky/not covered. After the incident no modifications were made to the prairie dog enclosure to help ensure that red-tailed hawks or other birds of prey could not get into the enclosure to kill more prairie dogs. Outdoor animal housing facilities must protect the animals from injury, including keeping known predators out of the animal enclosures. Correct by modifying or changing the prairie dog enclosure to prevent animals from being killed by birds of prey or other predators and by ensuring that all enclosures protect animals from injury. Correct by November 18, 2016.

3.127(c)

FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

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Section 3.127(c) Drainage: The water receptacle for the male elk is surrounded by standing water and mud. Animals should not have to walk through water/mud to get to their water, food or shelter. Standing in water and mud may cause hoof problems such as foot rot. The drainage must be improved to rapidly eliminate excess water to prevent muddy conditions and to protect the health of the animal. Once the APHIS official identified the muddy condition around the water receptacle, facility personnel moved the water receptacle. Corrected during the inspection.

3.127(d)

FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

Section 3.127(d) Perimeter fence: A beverage service area by and inside the perimeter fence at the edge of the bison enclosure has a wood bar that is about 37 inches high that is attached to the 8 foot high perimeter fence. This 8 foot fence is part of the perimeter fence for the entire zoo. The wood bar attached to the perimeter fence effectively reduces the height of the perimeter fence as it could be used by an animal as a platform to help get over the additional 5 feet of the perimeter fence. The perimeter fence functions as a secondary containment system for the animals in the facility and must be at least 8 feet in height for potentially dangerous animals. Correct by moving the wood bar away from the perimeter fence so it may not be used as a platform for getting over the perimeter fence by a loose animal. Correct by October 25, 2016.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility lead zoo keeper.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
2228	23-C-0006	001	NORRISTOWN ZOOLOGICAL PARK	17-OCT-16
Count	Scientific Name		Common Name	
000002	<i>Ailurus fulgens</i>		RED PANDA	
000002	<i>Alouatta caraya</i>		BLACK HOWLER	
000003	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>		HEDGEHOG	
000004	<i>Bison bison</i>		AMERICAN BISON	
000001	<i>Canis lupus</i>		GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF	
000008	<i>Capra hircus</i>		DOMESTIC GOAT	
000002	<i>Catagonus wagneri</i>		CHACOAN PECCARY	
000003	<i>Cervus c. canadensis</i>		ELK	
000001	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>		CHINCHILLA	
000001	<i>Coendou prehensilis</i>		PREHENSILE-TAILED PORCUPINE	
000015	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>		BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG	
000001	<i>Didelphis virginiana</i>		VIRGINIA OPOSSUM	
000012	<i>Eidolon helvum</i>		STRAW-COLOURED FRUIT BAT	
000002	<i>Equus zebra</i>		MOUNTAIN ZEBRA / HARTMANN'S ZEBRA	
000007	<i>Erethizon dorsatum</i>		NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE	
000002	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>		GIRAFFE	
000002	<i>Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris</i>		CAPYBARA	
000002	<i>Leontopithecus rosalia</i>		GOLDEN LION TAMARIN	
000001	<i>Leopardus pardalis</i>		OCELOT	
000002	<i>Lontra canadensis</i>		NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER	
000001	<i>Lynx rufus</i>		BOBCAT	
000003	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>		STRIPED SKUNK	
000003	<i>Mustela nigripes</i>		BLACK-FOOTED FERRET	
000002	<i>Mustela putorius furo</i>		DOMESTIC FERRET	
000002	<i>Nasua olivacea</i>		MOUNTAIN COATI	
000003	<i>Neotoma albigula</i>		WHITE-THROATED WOODRAT	
000003	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>		EUROPEAN RABBIT	
000006	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>		SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS	
000002	<i>Panthera onca</i>		JAGUAR	
000001	<i>Pithecia pithecia</i>		WHITE-FACED SAKI	
000001	<i>Puma concolor</i>		PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR	
000004	<i>Saimiri sciureus</i>		COMMON SQUIRREL MONKEY	
000001	<i>Vulpes lagopus</i>		ARCTIC FOX	
000001	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>		RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)	
000106	Total			