

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

MS Leisure Company, Inc. 4400 Rickenbacker Causeway Key Biscayne, FL 33147 Customer ID: 6011009

Certificate: 58-C-1252

Site: 001

Miami Seaguarium

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 22-OCT-2024

3.101(a)(1)

Facilities, general.

During a routine inspection of the facility, USDA Inspectors identified two areas in need of repair:

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- At Golden Dome, the covered patio, behind the outdoor harbor seal pools, had a vertical board used to support the ceiling, that was no longer attached to the wall. The lower portion of the board had started to decay and the nails that fastened it to the wall detached from rotted section.
- At Top Deck, an area was noted where water was dripping down between the stadium and the outside of the tank, onto the lower observation window below. The metal frame and bolts that attach the glass to the tank had areas of layered, flaking rust.

Enclosures that fall into states of disrepair may no longer be able to safely contain the animals and can lead to health and well-being hazards to the animals within.

Indoor and outdoor housing facilities for marine mammals must be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury, to contain the animals within the facility, and to restrict entrance of unwanted animals. Both issued were corrected at the time of inspection.

3.154(c)(1)

Environment enhancement to promote psychological well-being.

The facility has created an avian enrichment plan, but the plan does not address the special needs of nestlings, chicks or fledglings. The facility houses bonded pairs of penguins who are currently setting on eggs and have successfully hatched flamingos in the past. While these birds have been identified, their additional enrichment needs have not been documented.

Failure to develop and document a plan for special consideration birds may result in inadequate or intermittent care in promoting and addressing needs for nestlings, chicks or fledglings.

Exhibitors must develop, document, and follow a species appropriate plan for environmental enhancement adequate to promote the psychological well-being of birds. Certain birds must be provided special attention regarding enhancement of

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their environment, based oi	າ the needs of the individ	ual species and/or	individual bird and	d in accordance v	with the
instructions of the attending	yeterinarian. To be corre	ected by November	r 8, 2024.		

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.
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Species Inspected

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Count 000010 000008	Scientific Name Zalophus californianus Phoca vitulina	Common Name CALIFORNIA SEA LION HARBOR SEAL
000016 000009	Tursiops truncatus Spheniscus demersus	BOTTLENOSE DOLPHIN AFRICAN PENGUIN / CAPE PENGUIN AMERICAN FLAMINGO
000027 000003 000002	Phoenicopterus ruber Ara chloropterus Ara macao	RED-AND-GREEN MACAW / GREEN-WINGED MACAW SCARLET MACAW
000001 000005 000001	Ara militaris Ara ararauna Ara, Anodorhynchus, Primolius, Diopsittad	MILITARY MACAW BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW CA MACAW HYBRID
000002	spp hybrid Amazona autumnalis	RED-LORED PARROT / RED-LORED AMAZON SULPHUR-CRESTED COCKATOO / GREATER SULPHUR-
000001 000001 000001	Cacatua galerita Cacatua alba Cacatua moluccensis	CRESTED COCKATOO WHITE COCKATOO / UMBRELLA COCKATOO SALMON-CRESTED COCKATOO / MOLUCCAN COCKATOO
000001 000088	Psittacus erithacus Total	CONGO AFRICAN GREY PARROT / GRAY PARROT