



Inspection Report

Discovery Center At Murfree Spring
502 South East Broad Street
Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Customer ID: **32892**

Certificate: **63-C-0167**

Site: 001

DISCOVERY CENTER AT
MURFREE SPRING

Type: RE-LICENSE INSPECTION

Date: 24-JUL-2023

2.40(a)(2)

Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care (dealers and exhibitors).

The attending veterinarian has visited the premises and completed a new written program of veterinary care this year but has not addressed vaccination recommendations in the new written program of veterinary care.

Adequate veterinary care involves the attending veterinarian overseeing the provision for the preventative care of all species as well as overseeing the adequacy of all aspects of animal care and use.

The attending veterinarian shall be consulted by the applicant and the recommendations for vaccinations for the facility species added to the written program of veterinary care to ensure the provision of adequate veterinary care.

3.125(a)

Facilities, general.

The facility is currently housing the newly acquired young fox (about 4 months old) indoors in a multitiered chinchilla type wire cage while the outdoor fox enclosure is being completed. The current cage is not designed for or appropriate for the growing fox. The shelves are not made to support the fox's weight and the fox may injure itself while trying to maneuver from one shelf to another. Two locks were present as the fox had learned how to open the cage door.

The enclosure for the fox must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the fox in order to protect the fox from injury and to contain the fox.

3.127(d)

Facilities, outdoor.

The outdoor housing enclosure for the new fox is completely enclosed by a combination of two different types of fence materials and the facility building. Of the two fencing types making up the perimeter fencing, one is six feet tall (solid plank fencing) but the other is only five feet tall (metal bar fencing).

A perimeter fence at least six feet high and three feet from the housing enclosure is required to protect the animals in the facility by restricting unwanted animals and unauthorized persons from going through or under it and having contact with the animals in the facility and so that it can function as a secondary containment system.

The outdoor housing enclosure for the fox must be enclosed by a perimeter fence at least six feet in height and three feet in distance from the enclosure.

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3.131(c)

Sanitation.

The ferret enclosure is currently located on the bottom shelf of a three shelf unit. The shelves are made of metal bars with openings in between. Many loose and haphazardly stored items are currently kept on the two shelves above the ferret enclosure. The items may fall through the bars and onto or even into the ferret enclosure potentially injuring the ferret and will make cleaning and pest control difficult.

The shelf unit in the animal room shall be kept clean and orderly to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate prescribed husbandry practices.

This is a 1st Re-License Inspection for a Class "C" license. The inspection and exit briefing were conducted with the applicant.

All items must be in compliance within 2 more inspection(s) and by Sept. 22, 2023 or the applicant will forfeit the license fee and must wait 6 months to reapply. Please contact your inspector to schedule your next Re-License Inspection.

Regulated activity can continue under your existing USDA license until it expires.

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Species Inspected

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| Count | Scientific Name | Common Name |
|--------|------------------------------|---|
| 000001 | <i>Mustela putorius furo</i> | DOMESTIC FERRET |
| 000001 | <i>Atelerix albiventris</i> | FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG |
| 000001 | <i>Vulpes vulpes</i> | RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX) |
| 000003 | Total | |