



## Inspection Report

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256 Exotics LLC  
429 Shields Road  
Huntsville, AL 35811

Customer ID: **6010970**

Certificate:

Site: 001

256 Exotics, LLC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 20-SEP-2023

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### 2.40(a)

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

The facility does not have a current Attending Veterinarian (AV). The previous AV is no longer the AV for this facility and the facility has not yet found a new AV. No animals were identified on this inspection as in need of veterinary attention. An AV is necessary to provide adequate veterinary care to the animals to ensure the health and well-being of the animals and to be in compliance with the AWA Regulations.

The facility shall have an attending veterinarian who shall provide adequate veterinary care to its animals in compliance with section 2.40 of the Animal Welfare Act Regulations.

Correct by 10/15/23.

### 3.25(a)

#### Facilities, general.

The air conditioner for the indoor housing facility/room housing the animals and the room/wall where the air conditioner is mounted are in need of repair or replacement. The air conditioner itself is dusty over its front surface and looking into the openings through which the cool air comes out the beige plastic appears to be covered in a black material. An approximately two inch section of the electrical cord is severely damaged with the protective covering removed and wires exposed. The wall itself is discolored and damaged with chunks of wall board missing.

The damaged electrical cord presents a fire hazard. The dusty/dirty air conditioner vents/body can lead to contaminated air or poor functioning of the unit. The holes in the wall board can allow cool air to escape, vermin to enter the room and possibly be a way for an animal that gets out of its enclosure to escape.

The facility shall ensure that indoor housing facilities including the air conditioning unit and walls are structurally sound and maintained in good repair. Correct by 10/15/23.

### 3.28(c)(1)(iii)

#### Primary enclosures.

Two plastic tubs with a floor space measuring 34 in. x17 in. (578 sq. in.) housed too many male guinea pigs each weighing over 350 grams. One tub housed seven male guinea pigs. The other housed eight male guinea pigs. Each guinea pig requires 101 sq. in. of floor space so these tubs can house a maximum of five guinea pigs.

Adequate space is necessary for the guinea pigs to make normal postural and social adjustments.

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The facility shall ensure that each guinea pig over 350 grams is provided with a minimum of 101 sq. in. of floor space in any primary enclosure. Correct by 9/27/23.

### 3.125(c)

#### Facilities, general.

An open bag of dry feed and an open bag of bedding pellets were stored on the floor in the main room of the building. Open supplies of food and bedding can be contaminated by vermin, deteriorate or become moldy if not stored properly. Supplies of food and bedding shall be stored to adequately protect such supplies, such as for example in a container with a tight lid. Correct by 9/23/23.

### 3.154

#### Environment enhancement to promote psychological well-being.

The facility currently houses four pet birds (two species). The facility does not currently have a written environment enhancement plan for birds.

A species appropriate plan for environment enhancement is necessary to promote the psychological well-being of the birds.

The facility must develop, document, and follow a species-appropriate plan for environment enhancement of the birds.

The plan must be approved by the attending veterinarian and must be in accordance with currently accepted professional standards. Correct by 10/15/23.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
6010970		001	256 Exotics, LLC	20-SEP-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000029	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000016	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG
000001	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	<i>Potos flavus</i>	KINKAJOU
000005	<i>Petaurus breviceps</i>	SUGAR GLIDER
000003	<i>Melopsittacus undulatus</i>	BUDGERIGAR / BUDGIE / COMMON PARAKEET / SHELL PARAKEET
000001	<i>Cacatua alba</i>	WHITE COCKATOO / UMBRELLA COCKATOO
000057	<b>Total</b>	