



## Inspection Report

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CHEHAW PARK AND ZOO  
105 CHEHAW PARK ROAD  
ALBANY, GA 31701

Customer ID: **3171**

Certificate: **57-C-0340**

Site: 001

CHEHAW WILD ANIMAL PARK

Type: RE-LICENSE INSPECTION

Date: 13-OCT-2021

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### **2.40(b)(3) Critical**

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

On April 18th 2021, Paula, a 16 year old male Bobcat, was found dead after falling from a tall sweet gum tree in the center of his enclosure. Upon closer examination, he was found to have wounds under both front armpits with many maggots inside. There were also maggots and fly eggs down his chest. Daily observations done that day and during the week did not reveal any abnormalities with Paula. An animal caretaker explained that for approximately 6 months prior, Paula would not come down consistently for his morning training preferring instead to stay on a branch in the tall sweet gum tree. This behavior was expected and attributed to the onset of colder temperatures. On the many days that he did not come down, daily observations consisted of glancing parts of him while up in the tree, sometimes 20 feet above ground. This method did not allow for a complete assessment of Paula's health and the facility did not identify the condition that was affecting him. Failure to promptly identify injuries delays treatment and causes undue pain and distress in animals with such conditions. A rigorous daily observation of all animals must be done in order to properly assess their health and well-being.

### **3.127(c)**

#### **Facilities, outdoor.**

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In an outdoor enclosure housing 2 elands, the flooring leading to the waterer was significantly muddy with a honeycomb appearance and some standing water. The animals had to walk through the mud in order to access their drinking water. Enclosures that do not drain effectively and in which the ground is largely muddy with no dry path to the water source, can cause animals to develop hoof or skin issues due to excessive moisture and mud exposure. Correct by ensuring that a suitable method is provided to rapidly eliminate excessive water within animal enclosures and ensure that animals can access their drinking water without walking through mud.

### 3.131(c)

#### Sanitation.

During inspection, the following areas in need of cleaning were found:

- The ceiling of the Rhinoceros indoor barn had an excessive amount of spider webs. A large amount of dust and debris was interspersed within the webs.
- The front wall on either side of the fridge door, as well as parts of the side walls behind the food shelf racks in the fridge, were coated with multiple small fuzzy brown materials.
- The vent above the enclosure in one of the holding rooms of the hospital area was significantly coated with dust and debris. On the ceiling in a circle around the vent, a gray layer of dust and debris could be seen.

These areas are not being maintained in a manner that protects animal health and welfare. Facilities must be kept clean in order to protect the animals from injury, to facilitate the required husbandry practices and to reduce or eliminate breeding and living areas for rodents, pests and vermin.

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

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All items must be in compliance within 2 more inspections or by December 18, 2021 or the Applicant will forfeit the license fee and must wait 6 months to reapply.

Please contact your inspector to schedule your next Relicense 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
000004	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000001	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	<i>Sus cebifrons</i>	VISAYAN WARTY PIG
000002	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000003	<i>Colobus guereza</i>	EASTERN BLACK-AND-WHITE COLOBUS / GUEREZA
000001	<i>Bos taurus</i>	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000007	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000002	<i>Canis rufus</i>	RED WOLF
000003	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	CHEETAH
000001	<i>Cephalophus silvicultor</i>	YELLOW-BACKED DUIKER
000007	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>	COMMON ELAND
000002	<i>Camelus bactrianus</i>	BACTRIAN CAMEL
000001	<i>Equus quagga</i>	BURCHELL'S / GRANT'S / CHAPMAN'S / PLAINS ZEBRA
000004	<i>Ursus americanus</i>	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000016	<i>Eidolon helvum</i>	STRAW-COLOURED FRUIT BAT
000002	<i>Nasua narica</i>	WHITE-NOSED COATI
000003	<i>Osphranter rufus</i>	RED KANGAROO
000002	<i>Suricata suricatta</i>	SLENDER-TAILED MEERKAT
000001	<i>Diceros bicornis</i>	BLACK RHINOCEROS
000002	<i>Varecia rubra</i>	RED RUFFED LEMUR
000001	<i>Atelerix frontalis</i>	SOUTH AFRICAN HEDGEHOG
000067	<b>Total</b>	



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