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2.40 (b)

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

Section 2.40(b) - Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care. Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care.

 There were several out of date drugs in one of the refrigerators. Out of date drugs must be either labeled or stored in a container thats labeled out of date drugs, not for use in regulated animals. Correct by: 9/11/09

2.75 (b) (1) REPEAT

RECORDS: DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS.

Section 2.75(b)(1) - Records. Every dealer shall make, keep and maintain records which fully and correctly disclose information concerning animals other than dogs and cats.

On previous inspections records were not available. The records were provided on this inspection, however 3
ferrets, 1 chinchilla and 1 hedge hog were not listed on the animals on hand form, but were at the facility.

2.131 (b) (1) REPEAT

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

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Section 2.131(b)(1) - Employee. A responsible, knowledgeable, and readily identifiable employee or attendant must be present at all times during periods of public contact.

On last inspection two bus loads of students arrived and were allowed to handle the animals without a readily identifiable employee present. On this inspection 3 girls were observed walking around and looking at the animals, there was not an identifiable employee present around the farm animals and the rabbits. There is not a barrier fence in these areas to prevent access by the public. The facility must provide a readily identifiable employee to observe public/animal interaction and prevent harm to the animals and the public or there needs to be a barrier between the enclosures and the public.

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(a) 3.53

PRIMARY ENCLOSURES.

Section 3.53(a) - Primary enclosures shall be structurally sound and in good repair to protect rabbits from injury.

 One rabbit enclosure, with 3 rabbits, has two rips in the mesh front on the enclosure. The mesh should be repaired or replaced to protect the animals from injury and to keep them in the enclosure. Correct by: 9/11/09

3.75

HOUSING FACILITIES, GENERAL.

Section 3.75(c)(1) - Surfaces. Must be made of materials that allow them to be readily cleaned and sanitized or removed when soiled.

 The vervet enclosure has a wooden floor that is no longer impervious to moisture. The floor needs to be sealed so that it can be properly cleaned and sanitized. The metal structure is also rusting at the floor and cannot be properly cleaned and sanitized. The metal should be replaced. Correct by: 9/11/09

REPEAT 3.78 (b)

OUTDOOR HOUSING FACILITIES.

Section 3.78(b) - Shelter from the elements. Outdoor housing facilities must provide adequate shelter from the elements at all times. It must provide protection from the sun, rain, snow, wind, and cold. The shelter must safely provide heat to prevent the ambient temperature from falling below 45° F.

 two lemurs are in an enclosure that does not provide protection from the weather for the animals. The animals need to be provided with appropriate housing during all the seasons of the year. On the last inspection a male capuchin monkey was identified as not having a house that was adequately heated, so this citation was treated as a repeat.

REPEAT 3.84 (c)

CLEANING, SANITIZATION, HOUSEKEEPING, AND PEST CONTROL.

Section 3.84(c) - Housekeeping, Buildings and surrounding grounds, must be kept clean and in good repair to facilitate the husbandry practices.

- There is an accumulation of building materials and other debris which provides a harboring place for rodents that could potentially carry harmful organisms. This area should be cleaned up to reduce that harboring area. This area has had some improvement but is still not in compliance.
- There is an area by the bears that has an accumulation of pipe and fence material and weeds that could be a harbor for rodents that could potentially carry harmful organisms. This area should be cleaned up to reduce that harboring

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area. This area is over grown with weeds and the area still has not been cleaned up on this inspection.

3.125 (a) REPEAT

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

Section 3.125(a) - Structural strength. Facilities must be constructed and maintained in such a manner as to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals covered under Subpart F.

- The top rail of the fence enclosing two tigers in the SW enclosure is sagging and is unstable and could allow the animals to escape. The fence is partially repaired but is not finished. This item was identified on two previous inspections and has not been corrected.
- The divider fences between the tigers on the hill, look unstable. New posts were in place on two previous inspections, however the fence has not been moved to these more substantial posts. If the cats were allowed to get together they could injure themselves and each other. The fence should be moved to the sturdier posts in order to protect and confine the animals.
- The divider fence between two male lions has been previously repaired but is in need of additional repair to prevent escape of the animals and potential injury from the sharp pointed wires.

3.127 (c)

FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

Section 3.127(c) - Drainage. A suitable method shall be provided to eliminate excess water for animals covered under Subpart F.

5 pigs are in an enclosure that accumulates standing water. Wallows are appropriate for pigs, but they should not
have to walk through mud and water to get a drink and to eat or enter their shelter. The wallow should be in a
specific location in the enclosure and a mechanism to drain excess water developed. Correct by: 9/11/09

3.127 (d) REPEAT

FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

Section 3.127(d) - Perimeter fence. All outdoor housing facilities must be enclosed by a perimeter fence that is of sufficient height to keep unwanted animals out. The fence must be constructed so that it protects the animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from going through it or under it and having contact with the animals in the facility.

- -The perimeter fence that runs behind the primates has mesh panels that measure 6X8 and will not keep unwanted animals from crawling through them. The fence should be replaced so that the mesh is small enough to prevent access to the facility by unwanted animals or humans. This was identified on previous inspections and has not been corrected. On this inspection a fence panel was loose from a post and the fence was sagging; the manager had the fence repaired during the inspection.
- There were two areas in the lower area where animals could crawl under the perimeter fence. This was identified on

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the previous inspection reports, however the area is so over grown that I could not tell if repairs were made or if they were adequate.

3.129 (a) REPEAT FEEDING.

Section 3.129(a) - Feeding. The food shall be wholesome, palatable, and free from contamination and of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to maintain all animals in good health.

- On the last inspection report numerous non compliances were identified in relation to feeding the animals wholesome food that was free from contamination. Those items included loose animals having access to uncovered donuts, several boxes of vegetables that were being thrown away and other items that were lying around. The pig doesnt appear to have access to the area, but the dogs and some birds do have access. If the food cannot be put up immediately it should be put in an area that properly protects it from spoiling or being contaminated.
- Unopened bags were not stored off the floor and away from the wall and opened bags were not in covered containers. Additional items identified on the last inspection included lids for the feed containers were left off of the containers in the farm animal area; food brought out for kids to feed to the farm animals was left sitting on the ground where the pig and loose birds could get into it. On this inspection lids were partially on the containers, however they were not tight fitting and the bags that were not opened were sitting on the floor.
- Equipment for yard upkeep, building supplies, fertilizer, concrete, feeder mice and rats, etc. were all stored in a building together with the freezers, refrigerators, food picked up from grocery stores was in open boxes. On this inspection the refrigerators and freezers were in a clean area and yard supplies were separated by distance from fresh food supplies being brought in from the markets, however that food had not been put away and the area that the food was in did not have any way to prevent flies and rodents from getting to the product and contaminating it. One refrigerator needed cleaning and several freezers were beginning to build up frost.
- The small building referred to as the food prep building was picked up and partially cleaned, however there were
 dead flies and ants crawling around and the floor had missing tile, making it impossible to properly sanitize the area.
- On this inspection I found a bowl of food in the servals cage that was full of maggots. Food needs to be removed, especially during the summer months, when the animal doesnt eat the food, to prevent the flies from blowing the food and to reduce the chance of rancid food from injuring the animal.

3.131 (b) REPEAT

SANITATION.

Section 3.131b - Sanitation. Enclosures must be cleaned and sanitized prior to another animal using the enclosure.

- The room used to hold two fennec foxes was used to house two lemurs on the last inspection. The floors were cited on that inspection under section 3.75a, as a repeat because the floors could not be properly cleaned and sanitized. The enclosure should have been sanitized prior to placement of the fennec foxes in the enclosure and is therefore handled as a repeat violation under 3.131b.

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3.132 REPEAT

EMPLOYEES.

Section 3.132 - Employees. A sufficient number of adequately trained employees shall be utilized to maintain the professionally acceptable level of husbandry practices set forth in this subpart. Such practices shall be under a supervisor who has a background in animal care.

- The continued number of citations for repairs, cleaning and storing of food indicates that there are not enough people on staff to feed, clean and maintain the husbandry practices that a facility of this size requires. This NCI has been identified on the last two inspections and continues to be a problem.

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