



United States Department of Agriculture
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
Teachable Moments

Legal Name: SEAQUEST AQUARIUM INC

Customer Number: 502434 Certificate Number: 88-C-0216

Inspection Date: 04-OCT-18 Site Number: 003

Inspector: CYNTHIA DIGESUALDO, D V M

Section: _____

2.131(c)(1) HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

The facility has had multiple bites and scratches to the public by the capybara in the year since they opened. Currently the public is allowed to go into the enclosure with the animals. There is always an employee present during these animal encounters however the presence of an employee has not stopped the bites and scratches. As these capybara become adults the risk of more serious bites and scratches increases. Additional steps need to be implemented to stop injuries to the public by the capybara.