



Inspection Report



HUNTINGTON, IN
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Customer ID: [Redacted]

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HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

During the circus performance a llama was brought into the ring on a lead line. The handler could not get the llama to do the intended behavior, and he began to repeatedly hit the llama with a whip. The llama was very distressed, pulling back on the lead line, ears flat back, and spitting at the handler.

Animals should be handled in a manner that does not cause unnecessary stress or discomfort. The licensee had taken corrective action - reprimanding the handler, and removing the llama from the next performance - prior to being approached by the inspectors. The licensee must ensure that all animals are handled in an appropriate manner in order to protect their well-being.

To be corrected from this time forward.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

This inspection occurred at the Garden Bros Circus performance in Murray. KY.

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