



Inspection Report

NELSON MARTIN
117 GRANGE HALL RD
SHICKSHINNY, PA 18655

Customer ID: **505805**
Certificate: **23-A-0712**
Site: 001
NELSON MARTIN

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 27-JAN-2021

3.25(c)

Facilities, general.

An open bag of pelleted feed was observed to be sitting in the bin with other intact bags of pelleted feed for the guinea pigs. This bin is left uncovered and the open bag of feed, still about halfway full of pellets, was only closed by twisting the open top of the bag.

Additionally, there are several bags of carrots stored on the ground, including an open bag of carrots in which the carrots have spilled out onto the ground. These carrots are used to supplement the diet of the guinea pigs.

Feed needs to be stored in a manner that protects it from spoilage and deterioration and food supplies not in their original intact containers must be stored in a container with a tightly fitting lid or cover. Additionally, refrigeration must be supplied for perishable food items, such as carrots. Failure to do so can lead to deterioration and/or contamination of feed, which can lead to an increase in disease or illness in the guinea pigs.

Correct by storing open bags of feed in a container with a tightly fitted lid or cover and by storing carrots in a manner that prevents spoilage and contamination. Correct by February 3, 2021.

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3.29(d)

Feeding.

Feeders in multiple guinea pig enclosures have pelleted feed that has deteriorated to the extent where it is mostly powder with few intact pellets remaining in the bottom half of the feeder.

Measures must be taken when using self-feeders to prevent the deterioration or caking of pelleted feed. Failure to do so can lead to weight loss, illness, and dental issues if the animals attempt to ingest the feed in its powder form.

Correct by replacing deteriorated feed with intact pelleted feed. Correct by January 28, 2021.

3.31(a)(1)

Sanitation.

Two of the guinea pig enclosures had an accumulation of wet bedding and fecal material on the wire mesh directly under the water spigots. The bedding surrounding the water spigots were also wet.

Primary enclosures must be cleaned often enough to prevent an accumulation of feces or debris, including wet bedding. Failure to do so can lead to illness if the guinea pigs avoid the water or have to stand in wet bedding bedding in order to drink.

Correct by cleaning the areas under the water spigots and removing wet bedding as often as necessary. Correct by January 28, 2021.

3.31(b)

Sanitation.

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There is an accumulation of dusty spiderwebs directly above two of the open-topped guinea pig enclosures.

Premises need to be kept clean to protect the animals from injury. Accumulations of dusty spiderwebs can impact ventilation as well as cause contamination of feed and water sources.

Correct by keeping the premises clean and free from spiderweb accumulations. Correct by February 3, 2021.

2.75(b)(1)

Records: Dealers and exhibitors.

While reviewing records, it was observed that the facility does not have a current count of animals on hand nor are animal births being recorded.

Animal dealers must make, keep, and maintain records which include animals owned as well as any offspring born while in his/her possession. Failure to do so can make it difficult to identify trends in animal losses.

Correct by maintaining records that include number of animals on hand and animal births. Correct by January 28, 2021.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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Species Inspected

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505805	23-A-0712	001	NELSON MARTIN	27-JAN-2021

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000261	<i>Guinea Pigs</i>	GUINEA PIGS
000261	Total	



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2.40(b)(3) Direct

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

An adult white, tan, and brown guinea pig was observed to have a right eye that is markedly shrunken to the extent where it is approximately 50% obscured by the third eyelid. The portion of the eye that is still visible was opaque and discolored white/yellow/red.

In a separate pen, an adult black, tan, and white guinea was observed to have a right eye that is markedly dry with a blade of straw and bits of grass adhered to it. The upper eyelid of this eye has two small spots of ulcerated skin and is swollen in appearance.

In a subsequent discussion with the licensee, he stated that he had previously noticed the eye issues in both guinea pigs but had not contacted the Attending Veterinarian regarding treatment.

Licensees are required to have a mechanism of direct and frequent communication with their Attending Veterinarian so that timely and accurate information on animal health issues can be addressed. Failure to do so can cause the animals pain or even lead to death when conditions are left untreated. Correct by having both animals examined by the Attending

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Veterinarian so that proper treatment can be administered and by maintaining communication with the Attending Veterinarian regarding all future animal health concerns.

Correct by: May 21, 2021

3.31(a)(1) Repeat

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Primary enclosures must be cleaned often enough to prevent an accumulation of feces or debris, including wet bedding. Failure to do so can lead to illness if the guinea pigs avoid the water or have to stand in wet bedding in order to drink.

Correct by cleaning the areas under the water spigots and removing wet bedding as often as necessary.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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000260	<i>Guinea Pigs</i>	GUINEA PIGS
000260	Total	



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Date: 09-JUN-2021

2.40(b)(3) Direct Repeat

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

An adult white, tan, and brown guinea pig was observed to have a right eye that is markedly shrunken to the extent where it is approximately 50% obscured by the third eyelid. The portion of the eye that is still visible was opaque and discolored red/yellow with an opaque white center. Abnormalities of the right eye of this guinea pig were initially observed during a previous inspection that occurred on May 20, 2021. At that time, the licensee was instructed to have the Attending Veterinarian examine the guinea pig.

In a separate pen, an adult black, tan, and white guinea was observed to have a right eye that is markedly dry and thick, green mucous is observed both on the eye and the eyelids. The upper eyelid of this eye has a large patch of ulcerated skin and is markedly swollen in appearance. Abnormalities of the right eye of this guinea pig were also observed on the May 20, 2021 inspection and the licensee was likewise instructed to have this animal examined by the Attending Veterinarian.

The licensee stated that following the May 20, 2021 inspection, he did contact the Attending Veterinarian regarding the guinea pigs' eye issues but did not have the Attending Veterinarian examine the animals. No further attempts were made

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to discuss the need for a veterinary exam or the continuation of the eye conditions.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Guinea Pigs</i>	GUINEA PIGS
000002	Total	