

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

## OFFICIAL WARNING NOTICE OF ALLEGED VIOLATION

CASE NUMBER:

FL230032

ALLEGED VIOLATOR:

MS Leisure Company, Inc.

ADDRESS (City, State, ZIP Code): St Augustine, FL 32080

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following alleged violation(s) of Federal laws:

Date of Alleged Violation: July 6, 2022

9 C.F.R. § 2.131(b)(2)(ii) Handling of animals.

Deprivation of food or water shall not be used to train, work, or otherwise handle animals; Provided, however, That the short-term withholding of food or water from animals by exhibitors is allowed by these regulations as long as each of the animals affected receives its full dietary and nutrition requirements each day.

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9 C.F.R. § 2.131(c)(1) Handling of animals.

During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

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## 9 C.F.R. § 2.40(a)(2) Attending veterinarian & adequate veterinary care

Each dealer or exhibitor shall have an attending veterinarian who shall provide adequate veterinary care to its animals in compliance with this section.

Each dealer and exhibitor shall assure that the attending veterinarian has appropriate authority to ensure the provision of adequate veterinary care and to oversee the adequacy of other aspects of animal care and use.

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## 9 C.F.R. § 2.40(b)(3) Attending veterinarian & adequate veterinary care

Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include:

Daily observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being; Provided, however, That daily observation of animals may be accomplished by someone other than the attending veterinarian; and Provided, further, That a mechanism of direct and

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	problems of animal health, behavior, and well-being is conveyed to the attending				
	veterinarian.				

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