

Inspection Report

Zoological Wildlife Foundation Inc 16225 SW 172nd Ave Miami, FL 33187 Customer ID: **11292** Certificate: **58-B-0306** Site: 001 ZOOLOGICAL WILDLIFE FOUNDATION INC

> Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION Date: 15-FEB-2023

2.131(c)(1) Critical

Handling of animals.

On May 24, 2021, during a contracted animal interaction at the facility, a guest was bitten on the left upper arm by a lion cub. The guest reported that immediately after biting, the cub was apparently scared/apprehensive from any additional interaction. During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient safeguards as to assure the safety of animals and the public. When interacting with guests, the handling of animals by trained facility personnel must be done as safely/carefully and expeditiously as possible in a manner that does not cause physical harm neither to the animal or the public.

Corrected by the time of this inspection.

2.131(d)(3) Critical

Handling of animals.

On September 20, 2022, a guest/patron of the facility posted several videos and photographs on social media (Facebook) of interactions with an adult clouded leopard with no apparent animal handler controlling the animal. Also, on May 7, 2022, a guest posted on social media (Facebook) photos of a patron too close to the actual enclosure fence of adult tigers; no safety barrier was visible. Furthermore, photos and a video show the same patron with the hand against the

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tigers' enclosure fence. To prevent possible injuries/attacks to the public and the welfare of animals during public exhibition, procedures to honor safety barriers must be in place, and dangerous animals such as lions, tigers, leopards, bears, and/or others must always be under the direct control and supervision of a knowledgeable and experienced animal handler.

Corrected by the time of this inspection.

3.75(c)(3)

Housing facilities, general.

The outside of most plastic nesting boxes at enclosures in the capuchin breeder's section were found to be partially soiled/dirty and in need of immediate cleaning. The surfaces within nonhuman primate enclosures (NHP) - including perches, shelves, swings, boxes, houses, dens, and other furniture-type fixtures or objects – must be readily cleaned and sanitized, or removed or replaced when worn or soiled. Hard surfaces with which NHP come in contact must be cleaned daily and sanitized in accordance with generally accepted professional and husbandry practices to prevent accumulation of excreta or disease hazards. To ensure the welfare and prevention of health hazards of all NHP in the capuchin breeder's section, all plastic nesting boxes should be cleaned and sanitized on a daily basis.

Correct by: February 16, 2023

3.84(c)

Cleaning, sanitization, housekeeping, and pest control.

The space between the perimeter fence's eastern section and the closest panel of the chimpanzee's primary enclosure was observed with excessive vegetation and debris. The facility must keep its premises free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste, discarded matter and/or overgrown vegetation. To conduct appropriate pest control and to ensure the

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integrity of the perimeter fence, the facility must clear any accumulation of debris and overgrown vegetation near the perimeter fence and around the chimpanzee's primary enclosure.

Correct by: March 1, 2023

3.125(a)

Facilities, general.

Several wood planks and plywood boards at the jaguar's enclosure were observed to be extremely damaged/rotted. Many sharp wood splinters/points were present in the affected areas which are injury hazards for the animals. Also, two large holes were identified by the main entrance gate of the African crested porcupines' enclosure; both porcupines in the enclosure were observed during this inspection digging the same holes/area. Housing facilities for all regulated animals shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury while containing the animals. To prevent potential injuries to the animals, the wood planks and plywood boards at the jaguar's enclosure must be repaired/replaced. Furthermore, to prevent the escape of an animal, the holes by the main gate of the African crested porcupine should be reinforced/repaired.

Correct by: March 1, 2023

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with two facility representatives.

Additional Inspectors:

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Species Inspected

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