



Inspection Report

SeaQuest Trumbull LLC
5065 Main Street Suite 1106
Trumbull, CT 06611

Customer ID: **6014233**
Certificate: **16-C-0177**
Site: 001
SeaQuest Trumbull LLC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 20-JUN-2023

2.131(c)(1)

Handling of animals.

There was insufficient distance and/or barriers between an animal and the public to assure the safety of the animal and/or the public during a wallaby encounter at the facility on 5/30/23 (2 adults and 3 children). Two employees were present during the encounter. The employee responsible for the white wallaby was on their phone and/or engaged in a conversation with the second employee during part of the encounter (white wallaby was not being used in the encounter but was in the exhibit space). The second employee responsible for the brown wallaby was standing next to the first staff member and he/she stood several feet away from the brown wallaby and the 5 members of the public (the brown wallaby was being used in the encounter). The 3 children surrounded the brown wallaby when it was up against one side of the exhibit to offer the animal food (the upper body of at least one child was positioned above the head/body of the wallaby) and the 3 children were also touching/petting the head and neck of the animal using their open hand and fingers. One of the younger children offered the brown wallaby food while the child was in a crouched position next to the animal with his/her head/face close to the mouth/head of the wallaby. The employees did not intervene during the wallaby interaction when there was minimal distance between the children and the brown wallaby, and the employee standing several feet away from the brown wallaby had no means of control of the wallaby during the interaction to ensure minimal risk of harm to the wallaby and/or the public.

Per this Section, animals must be handled during public exhibition 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 public to assure the safety of animals and the public. Lack of sufficient distance and/or control of an animal during public interactions poses a risk of harm to the animals and/or the public. Correct by ensuring that employees present during animal interactions follow this requirement to assure the safety of the animals and the public. Correct by 7/23/23.

This inspection and exit briefing were conducted with facility representatives.

END OF REPORT

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000002	<i>Notamacropus rufogriseus</i>	BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY
000001	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000004	<i>Felis catus</i>	CAT ADULT
000002	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA
000002	<i>Aonyx cinereus</i>	ORIENTAL SMALL-CLAWED OTTER
000002	<i>Dolichotis patagonum</i>	PATAGONIAN CAVY / MARA
000005	<i>Petaurus breviceps</i>	SUGAR GLIDER
000021	Total	