



Inspection Report

MS Leisure Company, Inc.
4400 Rickenbacker Causeway
Key Biscayne, FL 33147

Customer ID: **6011009**
Certificate: **58-C-1252**
Site: 001
Miami Seaquarium

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION
Date: 02-NOV-2023

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Employees or attendants.

At the time of inspection, the facility still lacks a sufficient number of adequately trained employees. The resignation of the only veterinary technician has left two veterinarians responsible for the care of 46 marine mammals, hundreds of birds, fish, sharks, and rays housed at the facility. Consequently, there is no full-time support staff available. At the time of inspection, none of the open veterinary technician positions had been filled. The veterinarians are still unable to perform routine/preventive exams and continue to prioritize sick and urgent cases until additional staff can be hired. Insufficient staffing can lead to poor husbandry practices and hinder the veterinary staff's ability to provide routine care and maintenance for the animals.

A sufficient number of adequately trained employees or attendants, responsible to management and working in concert with the attending veterinarian, must be utilized to maintain the prescribed level of husbandry practices.

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

Additional Inspectors:

Charles Palmer, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

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Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

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Received by Title: Facility Representative

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
6011009	58-C-1252	001	Miami Seaquarium	02-NOV-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Zalophus californianus</i>	CALIFORNIA SEA LION
000003	<i>Trichechus manatus</i>	CARIBBEAN MANATEE
000004	Total	