

PET SHOP CHECK LIST

Inspection Details

This is an internal document to be used by Inspectors to guide them in undertaking a basic pet shop inspection. The most common species have been included here together with common concerns but it is up to the inspector to find out more information, ask questions and ensure that appropriate action is taken to ensure the welfare of the animals is protected.

Explanatory Note: When completing this checklist, the relative observations can be circled or underlined and or inspectors comments recorded on the line above. For example:

Hygiene of cages: Overall good – cages being cleaned during inspection Hamsters
Good Fair Bad Excess Faeces **Old/Soiled Food**

Name of Pet Shop: Pikkewyn Petshop

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Name of Owner: Jacelyn Rossouw Cell: 0832338604

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Veterinarian: — Tel: —

GENERAL

What happens to sick animals: Self medical Robt then vet
Self medicate New owners must treat Taken to vet

What happens to animals after hours: Kept in Shop
Kept in shop Go home with owner Sent back to supplier

What treatment do Puppies get: —
Vaccine De-wormer Vaccine on Request None Other

What treatment do Kittens get: —
Vaccine De-wormer Vaccine on Request None Other

Quarantine Cages Provided: yes
yes No None Seen Separate Room

Rodent control: —
Open Poison/Poison Stations/Poison Pipes/Live Traps/Rat Traps

Suppliers of animals: —

Do they breed: No
yes / No / Uncertain Single Sex Groups

If breeding, what happens to offspring: —
hand-Reared / Parent Reared / Sold Unweaned

If removed for hand rearing, from what age: —

Reason for hand rearing: —

RODENTS

Numbers: Rats _____ Mice _____ Guinea Pigs _____ Hamsters 9

Group structures Same Sizes together
 Compatibility of Groups Crood
 Space Crood
 Cage Maintenance Crood
 Are cages raised off the ground to prevent handling/accidental kicking/reduce stress: yes
 Hygiene of cages Crood
 Ventilation Good
 Draughts No
 Temperature Comfortable
 Do they allow breeding No
 How do staff handle animals yes
 Do they allow public to handle the animals No
 Hiding areas Crood
 Bedding Sawdust
 Is bedding clean & absorbent yes
 Cleaning routine Once per day every per week
 Water Non tip bowl
 Hygiene of water provision Clean
 Diet Crood
 Frequency of feed _____ Do they remove old food? Yes ☒ No ☐
 Is the diet Crood
 Are the animals fully weaned yes
 Condition of animals Crood
 Describe Concerns None
 How are rodents transported from the shop Boxes
 Where are unweaned rodents kept _____
 Are unweaned rodents sold live? _____
 How are rodents killed (as reptile food)? _____
CO2 (Unacceptable issue warning)

PUPPIES, KITTENS & RABBITS

Puppy Numbers & Breeds: _____

Kitten Numbers: _____ Rabbit Numbers: 2

Group structures _____
 Singly Only with litter mates Some litters mixed All together

Compatibility of Groups _____
 Good (Play & Positive Interaction) Mixed Sizes Bullying Describe Above

Space _____
 Good (Play & move normally) Acceptable (stretch out, stand normally & turn) Cramped/Too small

Cage Maintenance _____
 Good Fair (some repairs needed) Poor (harmful features)

Hygiene of cages _____
 Good Fair Unacceptable Excess Faeces Old/Soiled Food

Ventilation _____
 Good (Fresh & Clean) No (Stuffy & Smelly) Describe Above

Draughts _____
 No Yes Describe Above

Temperature _____
 Too Hot (Panting etc) Too Cold (Curled up/shivering) Comfortable

Shelter provided in outside pens _____
 Good Needs Improvement Poor None

Do they allow breeding _____
 Yes No Describe Above

How do staff handle animals _____
 Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

Do they allow public to handle animals: Adults _____ Children (Age) _____ Under supervision _____

Floor construction: _____
 Wood Concrete Chicken Mesh Weld Mesh Soil Other

Bedding: _____
 Blankets Bed Carpet Soil Sawdust Straw Newspaper Other

Is Bedding Clean & Absorbent: _____
 Yes No Needs Changing Other

Cleaning routine _____ per day _____ per week

Water _____
 Non-Tip Bowl Bowl too small Bowl too deep to reach water None Available

Hygiene of water provision Clean _____
 Clean Dirty Very Dirty Green Algae Soiled

Diet for Puppies _____ Kittens _____

Diet for Rabbits Pellets _____
 Quality Pellets Roughage Fresh Vegetables/Fruit Other

Is the diet Good _____
 Good & Nutritious Poor Not Fresh Not Enough Other

Frequency of feed _____ Do they remove old food? Yes _____ No _____

Are the animals fully weaned? Yes _____
 Yes (feeding themselves well) Just Weaned Not Weaned

Condition of animals Good _____
 Good Fair Poor Very Poor

Describe Concerns None _____
 Injuries/Poor Coat/Listless/Runny Eyes/Runny Nose/Diarrhoea

FISH

Hygiene of tanks Good

Is water clean Clear Good Fair Poor Excess Algae Waste Material (Faeces/Debris)

Is equipment (nets/heaters) in good repair Good Clear (see fish clearly) Quite Clear Smelly Foamy (on surface) Cloudy

Do the tanks have efficient aeration Good Good Fair Poor Other

Do the tanks have filtration Good Good (Bubbles) Fair (some bubbles) Unacceptable (No bubbles)

Is water in tanks tested appropriately for temperature/pH/ammonia/nitrites/oxygen Yes ☒ No ☐ Good Fair None

Are the tanks enriched Plants Plants Hiding Areas Rocks Gravel Other

Are the tanks overstocked No Good Fair Poor

Are lights turned off at night for fish to rest Yes Yes No

Do tanks have covers yes Yes No

Water at proper level (should be small gap between top of water and cover) yes Yes No

Condition of animals Good Good Fair Poor Very Poor Describe Above

Describe Concerns None Unusual growths, patches or spots/Wounds/Abnormal swimming/ Over or Under activity/Bloating/Fin damage/Panting at surface/Rubbing/Clamped fins

Temperature Suitable yes Goldfish 10°C - 22°C; Tropical fish 23°C - 27°C

How often are the fish fed: Daily Daily Not during weekends (unacceptable)

Is enough species specific food given yes Yes No Appears Acceptable

In the event of a power failure is the pet shop owner / attendant informed: yes Yes No

How do staff handle animals — Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

Any dead fish observed: Describe Reason No

Compatibility of Groups Good Good Poor (Chasing/Bullying/Hiding/Damaged fins)

How are fish destroyed when necessary —

Unacceptable – fed live to other fish/left out of water to suffocate/flushed down toilets)
Acceptable – brain maceration/submersion in clove oil (and other suitable chemicals)

Do Aquatic Amphibians have a shelf or floating island to enable them to get out of the water —

How do the buyers transport the fish from the shop In Strong Plastic bags Pumped Pure oxygen Describe
In strong plastic bags pumped with pure oxygen

Is the chlorine removed from tap water before adding to tanks (Aerated for 24 hours or a de-chlorinating product used)? yes Yes No

BIRDSBird Numbers & Breeds Catkins - 515 budgie - 23 - Kanarie - 3 zebra vink - 6 / 2 RingnekkersGroup structures In Small groupsCompatibility of Groups Good Singly In small groups Large Groups Same species Mixed SpeciesSpace Acceptable Good (No aggression/anxiety) Chasing/Bullying etc Describe AboveCage Maintenance Good Good (Play & move normally) Acceptable (stretch out, stand normally & turn) Cramped/Too smallHygiene of cages Good Good Fair (some repairs needed) Poor (harmful features)Ventilation Good Good Fair Poor Excess Faeces Old/Spoiled FoodAre birds exposed to draughts No Good (Fresh & Clean) No (Stuffy & Smelly) OtherAre birds left in full sun No No Yes Describe AboveTemperature comfortable No Yes Describe AboveShelter provided in outside pens — Too Hot (Beak open etc) Too Cold (Fluffed up/shivering) ComfortableAdequate perch space Good Good (all can rest on perches at same time) Fair Poor (birds on floor & cage sides)Note: Birds need more horizontal space than vertical. Approx 10cm horizontal space per bird such as parakeetsAre perches placed above each other (causing faeces to drop onto birds below) No No YesSuppliers of birds —How do staff handle animals yesCleaning routine ones per day Very Well Good Fair Poor Unacceptable per day per weekWater Non tip bowlHygiene of water provision clean Non-Tip Bowl Hanging Bowl Bowl too deep Bowl too small None AvailableDiet for Birds Good Clean Dirty Very Dirty Green Algae SoiledFrequency of feed: — Do they remove old food: Yes ☒ No ☐Note: Check to see that there is seed in the food dish, not just empty shells left by the birds.Is the diet GoodAre the animals fully weaned yes Good & Nutritious Poor Not Fresh Not Enough OtherCondition of animals Good Yes (feeding themselves well) Just weaned Under-ageDescribe Concerns — Good Fair Poor Very Poor Describe AboveHow are birds transported from the shop Boxes Injuries/ Poor Feather Condition/Feather Loss/Listless /Runny or Swollen Eyes/Nose

Yes _____ No _____

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Follow up due _____

The cages was clean when I got there. The animals are all in a fair condition. Water and food available for the ~~the~~ animals. The owner said they did clean a bit better on Monday because they were shot staff.