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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: GOETTERJASIES 2ND HAND SHOP & PET SHOP

Address: 53 MAIN RD, SALDANHA

Name of Owner: NATASHA Cell: ON RECORD

Tel: ON RECORD Fax/Email: _____

Veterinarian: WESLEY DEARTISNYKUNDE Tel: SALDANHA / VREDEBURG

GENERAL

What happens to sick animals: _____
 Self medicate ☐ New owners must treat ☐ ☒ Taken to vet

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

What treatment do Puppies get: N/A
 Vaccine ☐ Deworming ☐ Medicine on Request ☐ None ☐ Other ☐

What treatment do Kittens get: N/A
 Vaccine ☐ Deworming ☐ Medicine on Request ☐ None ☐ Other ☐

Quarantine Cages Provided: _____
☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ None Seen ☐ Separate Room

Rodent control: KEEPS AREAS CLEAN
 Open Poison/Poison Stations/Poison Pipes/Live Traps/Rat Traps ☐

Suppliers of animals: BREEDS

Do they breed: Yes
☒ 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 ± 30 Mice ± 20 Guinea Pigs — Hamsters ± 20

Group structures — Singly — Mother & Young Separate — Same sizes together — All together —

Compatibility of Groups — Good (Play & Positive Interaction) — Fighting — 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) —

Are cages raised off the ground to prevent handling/accidental kicking/reduce stress: — Yes — No —

Hygiene of cages — Good — Fair — Bad — Excess Faeces — Old/Soiled Food —

Ventilation — Good (No Ammonia Smell) — Fair — Poor (Ammonia Smell) —

Draughts — No — Yes — Describe —

Temperature — Too Hot (Panting etc) — Too Cold (Curled up/shivering) — Comfortable (20°C- 24°C) —

Do they allow breeding — Yes — No — Describe Above —

How do staff handle animals — Good — Fair — Poor — Unacceptable —

Do they allow public to handle the animals — Yes — No — Not Seen —

Hiding areas — Good (Box/Plastic Container) — Fair (not enough) — Unacceptable (None) — Other —

Bedding — Sawdust — Straw — Newspaper — Other —

Is bedding clean & absorbent — Yes — No — Needs Changing — Type: Sawdust/Newspaper/Other —

Cleaning routine — per day 6 per week —

Water — Non-tip Bowl — Bowl too small — Bowl too deep to reach water — None available —

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

Diet — Good Pellets — Roughage — Fresh Vegetables/Fruit — Vit C for Guinea Pigs (220mg/lit water daily) —

Frequency of feed AD LIB Do they remove old food? Yes ✓ No —

Is the diet — Good & Nutritious — Poor — Not Fresh — Not enough — Other comments —

Are the animals fully weaned — Yes (feeding themselves well) — Just Weaned — Under Age —

Condition of animals — Good — Fair — Poor — Very Poor — Describe Above —

Describe Concerns NONE

How are rodents transported from the shop BOXES

Where are unweaned rodents kept — Good (with mother) — Unacceptable (Plastic container/cage/box) —

Are unweaned rodents sold live? — No (Good) — Yes (Unacceptable) —

How are rodents killed (as reptile food)? Does not kill or sell for Reptile Food

CO2 (Unacceptable issue warning)

Hitting on Head/live freezing Describe

PUPPIES, KITTENS & RABBITSPuppy Numbers & Breeds: N/AKitten Numbers: N/A 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)

ComfortableShelter provided in outside pens N/A

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 supervisionFloor construction: LARGE PLASTIC CAGES

Wood

Concrete

Chicken Mesh

Weld Mesh

Soil

Other

Bedding: Eco Litter + Sawdust

Blankets

Bed

Carpet

Soil

Sawdust

Straw

Newspaper

Other

Is Bedding Clean & Absorbent: _____

Yes

No

Needs Changing

Other

Cleaning routine 1 per day 6 per week

Water _____

Non-Tip Bowl

Bowl too small

Bowl too deep to reach water

None Available

Hygiene of water provision _____

Clean

Dirty

Very Dirty

Green Algae

Soiled

Diet for Puppies ✓ Kittens ✓Diet for Rabbits Rabbit PelletsQuality Pellets

Roughage

Fresh Vegetables/Fruit

Other

Is the diet _____

Good & Nutritious

Poor

Not Fresh

Not Enough

Other

Frequency of feed AD LIB Do they remove old food? Yes ✓ NoAre the animals fully weaned? Yes

Yes (feeding themselves well)

Just Weaned

Not Weaned

Condition of animals GoodGood

Fair

Poor

Very Poor

Describe Concerns None

Injuries/Poor Coat/Listless/Runny Eyes/Runny Nose/Diarrhoea

FISH

Hygiene of tanks _____

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

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

Do the tanks have efficient aeration _____ Good Fair Poor Other

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

Is water in tanks tested appropriately for temperature/pH/ammonia/nitrites/oxygen Yes ☒ No _____

Are the tanks enriched _____ Plants Hiding Areas Rocks Gravel Other

Are the tanks overstocked No _____

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

Do tanks have covers _____ Yes No

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

Condition of animals _____ Good Fair Poor Very Poor Describe Above

Describe Concerns None _____

Temperature Suitable Yes _____

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

Is enough species specific food given _____ Yes No Appears Acceptable

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

How do staff handle animals _____ Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

Any dead fish observed: Describe Reason None _____

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

How are fish destroyed when necessary clove oil _____

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 N/A _____

Describe _____

How do the buyers transport the fish from the shop _____ 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 No

BIRDS

Bird Numbers & Breeds Finches (2) FANCY Pigeon (3)
Cockatiels (7) Budgies (2) Kingneck (2)

Group structures In small groups Singly Large Groups Same species Mixed Species

Compatibility of Groups Good (No aggression/anxiety) Chasing/Bullying etc 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 Poor Excess Faeces Old/Spoiled Food

Ventilation Good (Fresh & Clean) No (Stuffy & Smelly) Other

Are birds exposed to draughts No Yes Describe Above

Are birds left in full sun No Yes Describe Above

Temperature Comfortable Too Hot (Beak open etc) Too Cold (Fluffed up/shivering)

Shelter provided in outside pens N/A Good Needs Improvement Poor None

Adequate perch space 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 parakeets

Are perches placed above each other (causing faeces to drop onto birds below) No Yes

Suppliers of birds Breeds

How do staff handle animals

Cleaning routine 1 Very Well Good Fair Poor Unacceptable
per day 6 per week

Water Non-Tip Bowl Hanging Bowl Bowl too deep Bowl too small None Available

Hygiene of water provision

Diet for Birds Seeds / pellets / Fruits + Veg Clean Dirty Very Dirty Green Algae Soiled

Frequency of feed: Ad Lib 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 Good & Nutritious Poor Not Fresh Not Enough Other

Are the animals fully weaned Yes (feeding themselves well) Just weaned Under-age

Condition of animals Good Fair Poor Very Poor Describe Above

Describe Concerns None

Injuries/ Poor Feather Condition/Feather Loss/Listless /Runny or Swollen Eyes/Nose

How are birds transported from the shop Boxes with perches.

ON COMPLETION OF INSPECTION COMPLETE THIS SECTION:

Was a warning given? (Copy to be attached)

Yes _____ No ☒Comments:

- BUSY CLEANING DURING MY INSPECTION
- LESS ANIMALS THAN BEFORE, HOWEVER HAS MORE
RODENTS.

NO HPA CONTRAVENTIONS OBSERVED

Inspector:

BODENSTERN

Date:

12/11/2024

Time:

9:35

Follow up due

Routine

Comments: