

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: GOETTERGASTES 2ND HAND SHOP & PET SHOP

Address: On Record

Name of Owner: NATASHA Cell: On Record

Tel: ON RECORD Fax/Email: _____

Veterinarian: on record Tel: _____

GENERAL

What happens to sick animals: _____

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

What treatment do Puppies get: N/A

What treatment do Kittens get: N/A

Quarantine Cages Provided: Yes

Rodent control: KILLS AREA CLEAN Yes No None Seen Separate Room

Suppliers of animals: *breeds*

Do they breed: Yes

If breeding, what happens to offspring: _____

If removed for hand rearing, from what age: _____

Reason for hand rearing: N/A

RODENTS

Numbers: Rats 20 Mice 4 Guinea Pigs 0 Hamsters 4

Group structures _____

Compatibility of Groups _____

Space _____

Cage Maintenance _____

Are cages raised off the ground to prevent handling/accidental kicking/reduce stress: _____

Hygiene of cages _____

Ventilation Good

Draughts _____

Temperature _____

Do they allow breeding _____

How do staff handle animals _____

Do they allow public to handle the animals _____

Hiding areas PIPES

Bedding _____

Is bedding clean & absorbent Yes

Cleaning routine 1 per day 3 per week

Water _____

Hygiene of water provision _____

Diet _____

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

Is the diet _____

Are the animals fully weaned _____

Condition of animals _____

Describe Concerns NONE OBSERVED

How are rodents transported from the shop BOXES

Where are unweaned rodents kept _____

Are unweaned rodents sold live? NO

How are rodents killed (as reptile food)? DOES NOT 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: 6

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/ADo they allow breeding YES, BUT NOT ANYMORE - SPLIT SEXES

Yes No Describe Above

How do staff handle animals _____

Good Fair Poor UnacceptableDo they allow public to handle animals: Adults NO Children (Age) NO Under supervision _____Floor construction: IN LARGE CAGES - PVC FLOOR

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 OtherCleaning routine 1 per day 3 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 SoiledDiet for Puppies N/A Kittens N/ADiet for Rabbits RABBIT PELLETSQuality Pellets Roughage Fresh Vegetables/Fruit Other

Is the diet _____

Good & Nutritious Poor Not Fresh Not Enough OtherFrequency of feed AD LIB Do they remove old food? Yes ✓ No

Are the animals fully weaned? _____

Yes (feeding themselves well) Just Weaned Not Weaned

Condition of animals _____

Good Fair Poor Very PoorDescribe Concerns NONE OBSERVED

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 _____ Good Fair Poor

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 OBSERVED
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 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: INVERTER Yes No

How do staff handle animals _____ Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

Any dead fish observed: Describe Reason NONE Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

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 ⁽¹⁰⁾ BUDGIES, ⁽³⁾ RINGNECK, ⁽⁴⁾ FANCY TAIL PIGEONS

Group structures Singly In small groups Large Group 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 Too Hot (Beak open etc) Too Cold (Fluffed up/shivering) Comfortable

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

Adequate perch space Yes 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 Local

How do staff handle animals Very Well Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

Cleaning routine 1 per day 3 per week

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

Hygiene of water provision Clean Dirty Very Dirty Green Algae Soiled

Diet for Birds SPECIES SPECIFIC

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 observed

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

How are birds transported from the shop WOODEN BOXES WITH SMALL PERCH ON INSIDE

ON COMPLETION OF INSPECTION COMPLETE THIS SECTION:

Was a warning given? (Copy to be attached)

Yes

No

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Inspector: BADENSTEIN  Date: 19 & 24 July 2024 Time: 11:40
Follow up due ROUTINE

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ROUTINE INSPECTION TO FOLLOW

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