

SWARTLAND WEST COAST SPCA
INSPECTOR REPORT

I748

Complaint Reference No.

Building: RENOSTERBOS ABATTOIR
Street: ERF 862 VOORTREKKER ROAD
Suburb:
Postal Code:
Inspector: CARINA BODENSTEIN
Date of Inspection: 2024-08-05
Time of Inspection: 14:00

RESPONDENT'S DETAILS

Name: BENRU
Company:
Identification:
Email:
Tel 1:
Tel 2: 0813719271

REPORT

Access Granted By: DAVID TROMP
Comment:
Were Animals Seen on the Property: Yes
Relationship to Property Owner: Worker
Captured By: CARINA BODENSTEIN 2024-08-06 14:46

CHECKLISTS

CONFINEMENT OF ANIMALS	Caged - adequate space	ABATTOIR
ADEQUATE SPACE AVAILABLE	Yes	
CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT	Yes	
WATER AVAILABLE	No ***	
ADEQUATE SHELTER AVAILABLE	No ***	
ANIMALS IN GOOD CONDITION	Yes	
VETERINARY PROBLEMS / HEALTH CO	No	

REFER TO ATTACHED CHECKLIST FOR FULL PARTICULARS OF THE INSPECTION, HOWEVER BELOW FOLLOWS A LIST OF CONCERNS OBSERVED, THESE CONCERNS WERE TEMPORARILY REMIED TO CONTINUE SLAUGHTER UNDER MY SUPERVISION:

WARNING WAS ISSUED AS FOLLOW:

- 1. Pigs brought in for slaughter had a direct view of the entire slaughter process as the stun box was not concealed.
 - a. The stun box must be constructed in such a way, with solid partitions, that no animal can witness the death of another animal and/or the slaughtering process.
- 2. The stun box is too big causing the pigs to turn around resulting in ineffective stunning due to misplacement of the tongs; and the sides are too low causing the pigs to jump out and escape the stun box.
 - a. The stun box must be constructed in such a way that the pig/animal can not turn around, aiding in the ease of an effective stun.
 - b. The electric tong terminals must be applied to the head of the animal in such a manner that the current passes through the brain effectively.
 - c. The stun box must be constructed in such a way that the pig/animal can not jump and escape the box.
- 3. The designated person to stun the pigs was expected to herd pigs into the stun box, the pig was then left inside the stun box for a few minutes before the commencing of the stun as this person had to first scrub back before entering the slaughter area, during this period the pigs appeared to be in distress, with high vocalizations and several attempts to escape the stun box (1x pig did in fact escape).
 - a. A designated person, not part of the slaughter team, must be appointed to herd the pigs into the stun box, where the stun and bleeding must commence as soon as possible and without any unnecessary delay.
 - b. No animal may be led into the stun box if the staff are not ready to commence stun and bleeding.
- 4. Pigs awaiting slaughter were kept in a holding pen without the provision of adequate protection against the weather elements and did not have access to drinking water.
 - a. Holding pens must be roofed where pigs, sheep or goats are kept.
 - b. Must be equipped with cold water sprayers for pigs.
 - c. Must be fitted with drinking water.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. A low pressure water spray/mister is to be used to hose the pigs before stunning, instead of the current high pressure hose, as this leads to the pig having a fright and possibly causing distress.
- 2. The nodes on the electric tongs are to be inspected on a daily basis and regularly scrubbed with a metal brush to ensure an accurate electric flow with every stun.

THE ENITRE FACILITY IS DUE TO BE UPGRADED WITHIN THE FOLLOWING MONTHS, AND IMPLEMENTATIONS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WILL BE TEMPORARY.

I WILL GO BACK TOMORROW MORNING TO LOOK AT A POSSIBLE WAY OF RECONSTRUCTING THE CRUSH , AND TO ENSURE NO ANIMALS ARE BEING SLAUGHTERED.

ACTIONS	
Warning Issued	5139

REPORT OUTCOMES	
Follow-up inspection to be conducted	2024-08-06
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INSPECTION ANIMALS	
Description:	
12 x PIGS (GREAT WHITE PIG) - (COLOUR: White) CONDITION: Acceptable	
Description:	
8 x PIGS (GREAT WHITE PIG) - CONDITION: UNSPECIFIED	
Description:	
12 x PIGS (GREAT WHITE PIG) - (COLOUR: WHITE) CONDITION: GOOD	