

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 Good Fair Bad Excess Faeces Hamsters Old/Soiled Food

Name of Pet Shop: Pikkewyn Pet Shop
 Address: 61 Main Str, Vredenburg
 Name of Owner: Joshlin Rossouw Cell: 083 233 8604
 Tel: _____ Fax/Email: _____
 Veterinarian: Vredenburg Animal Hospital Tel: _____

GENERAL

What happens to sick animals: Taken to the vet if self medication does not work
 What happens to animals after hours: Shut at the shop
 What treatment do Puppies get: No puppies
 What treatment do Kittens get: No kittens
 Quarantine Cages Provided: Yes
 Rodent control: Recent bait stations provided
 Suppliers of animals: Unwanted pets, local suppliers for birds, fish brought in Cape town
 Do they breed: No they dont breed
 If breeding, what happens to offspring: N/A
 If removed for hand rearing, from what age: N/A
 Reason for hand rearing: N/A

RODENTS

Numbers: Rats 0 Mice 0 Guinea Pigs 0 Hamsters 8

Group structures Good

Compatibility of Groups Same size together

Space Plenty of space

Cage Maintenance Good

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

Hygiene of cages Good

Ventilation Good

Draughts no draughts

Temperature Room temp

Do they allow breeding No

How do staff handle animals not observed

Do they allow public to handle the animals No

Hiding areas Good hiding space

Bedding Wood shavings

Is bedding clean & absorbent Yes

Cleaning routine Once per day Every per week

Water non tip bowl

Hygiene of water provision Good

Diet Hamster mix

Frequency of feed once a day Do they remove old food? Yes ☒ No ☐

Is the diet Diet is nutritious

Are the animals fully weaned Yes

Condition of animals Acceptable

Describe Concerns No concerns noted

How are rodents transported from the shop In a hard box

Where are unweaned rodents kept No unweaned rodents

Are unweaned rodents sold live? N/A

How are rodents killed (as reptile food)? N/A

CO2 (Unacceptable issue warning)

FISH

Hygiene of tanks Very good

Is water clean Yes

Is equipment (nets/heaters) in good repair Yes

Do the tanks have efficient aeration Yes

Do the tanks have filtration Yes

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

Are the tanks enriched Yes, plants, rocks

Are the tanks overstocked No

Are lights turned off at night for fish to rest Yes

Do tanks have covers Yes

Water at proper level (should be small gap between top of water and cover) Yes

Condition of animals Good

Describe Concerns None observed

Temperature Suitable Yes

How often are the fish fed: Every day

Is enough species specific food given Yes

In the event of a power failure is the pet shop owner / attendant informed: Yes

How do staff handle animals Not observed

Any dead fish observed: Describe Reason No

Compatibility of Groups Good, same species together

How are fish destroyed when necessary Mixture of clove oil

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

How do the buyers transport the fish from the shop Plastic bag with air

Is the chlorine removed from tap water before adding to tanks (Aerated for 24 hours or a de-chlorinating product used)? Yes

BIRDS

Bird Numbers & Breeds _____
 Group structures _____
 Compatibility of Groups _____
 Space _____
 Cage Maintenance _____
 Hygiene of cages _____
 Ventilation _____
 Are birds exposed to draughts _____
 Are birds left in full sun _____
 Temperature _____
 Shelter provided in outside pens _____
 Adequate perch space _____
 Are perches placed above each other (causing faeces to drop onto birds below) _____
 Suppliers of birds _____
 How do staff handle animals _____
 Cleaning routine _____ per day _____ per week
 Water _____
 Hygiene of water provision _____
 Diet for Birds _____
 Frequency of feed: _____ Do they remove old food: Yes _____ No _____
 Is the diet _____
 Are the animals fully weaned _____
 Condition of animals _____
 Describe Concerns _____
 How are birds transported from the shop _____

No birds

REPTILES

Reptile Numbers & Breeds _____

Group structures _____

Compatibility of Groups _____

Space _____

Cage/Tank Maintenance _____

Hygiene of cages _____

Are reptiles left in full sun _____

Temperature Suitable _____

How do staff handle animals _____

Do they allow public to handle the animals _____

Handled by: Adults _____ Children (Age) _____ Only under supervision _____

Venomous snakes: Are staff trained to handle _____

Security/safety _____

Are tank covers secure to prevent escape _____

Enrichment/Hiding Area _____

Bedding _____

Is bedding clean & absorbent _____

Cleaning routine _____ per day _____ per week

Heating _____

Safety of heat source _____

Water _____

Hygiene of water provision _____

Diet for reptiles _____

Source of prey _____

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

Condition of animals _____

Describe concerns _____

How are reptiles transported from the shop _____

NO reptile

SPIDERS & SCORPIONS, INSECTS

Numbers & Breeds _____

Group structures _____

Compatibility of Groups _____

Space _____

Cage/Tank Maintenance _____

Hygiene of cages _____

Are Tarantulas protected from bright lights/full sun which will dry them out _____

Temperature Suitable _____

How do staff handle animal _____

Do they allow public to handle the animals _____

Handled by: Adults _____ Children (Age) _____ Only under supervision _____

Security/safety _____

Are tank covers secure to prevent escape _____

Enrichment/Hiding Area _____

Substrate _____

Is substrate Clean & Absorbent _____

Cleaning routine _____ per day _____ per week

Heating _____

Safety of Heat Source _____

Water _____

Hygiene of water provision: _____

Diet for Animals _____

Source of Food _____

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

Condition of animals _____

Describe concerns _____

How are animals transported from the shop: _____

NO insects

ON COMPLETION OF INSPECTION COMPLETE THIS SECTION:

Was a warning given? (Copy to be attached)

Yes

No ☒

Comments:

- ✓ Petshop is clean
- ✓ Animals in good condition
- ✓ No sick or dead animals observed
- ✓ Fresh water and food available

Inspector:

J O L T O B E R

Date:

11/7/25

Time:

14:00

Follow up due

Comments:

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Was a warning given? (Copy to be attached)

Yes No

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Inspector: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Follow up due _____

Comments: