

SANDTON SPCA
INSPECTOR REPORT

IHCB15583

Complaint Reference No.

Building: JOHANNESBURG ZOO
Street: 60 JAN SMUTS AVENUE
Suburb: FOREST TOWN
Postal Code: 2193
Inspector: GODFREY MNGUNI
Date of Inspection: 2025-03-14
Time of Inspection: 13:02

RESPONDENT'S DETAILS

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

REPORT

Access Granted By: PIET MALEPA
Comment:
Were Animals Seen on the Property: Yes
Relationship to Property Owner: Worker
Captured By: CILIA MALAHLELA 2025-03-17 13:28

CHECKLISTS

CONFINEMENT OF ANIMALS	Caged - adequate space	In a zoo
ADEQUATE SPACE AVAILABLE	Yes	
CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT	No ***	Dirty in the Buffalo enclosure
ADEQUATE SHELTER AVAILABLE	Yes	
ANIMALS IN GOOD CONDITION	Yes	
VETERINARY PROBLEMS / HEALTH CO	No	
WATER AVAILABLE	Yes	

General Report Comments: I met the Animal Welfare manager, Dr Piet Malepa at the Zoo, who directed me to his subordinates for farm animals, antelopes, pachyderms and mammals, Werner Masemola, primates' curator, Katherine Stanton and pest control officer, Xolani Seloana to enlighten me on their respective roles as far as the animals are concerned.

I went to the farm animals to inspect whether there was shelter for ducks. There were 5 Red-crested pochard ducks, 4 Yellow-billed ducks, 2 Indian Runner ducks, and 23 Chinese geese. The waterfowls had potable water and built-up ponds. They had a built-up structure serving as shade in harsher weather and there are night rooms provided for them.

In buffalo enclosures holding 12 African Buffalo and 6 Water Buffalo (kept separately), there was water points and adequate shelter – night rooms. The night rooms however were dirty and muddy likely encouraging breeding for flies and other parasites. They did mention to be using different methods to control flies and exo-parasites that includes, Buzz Off fly repellent, Coopers™ Wettable Powder, Coopers™ Fly Catch traps and Everything-Spray insecticide. They stated that flies were at a record high in Johannesburg this year costing them to spent over a R100 000 of fly and insect repellent supplies, but they are still replenishing their stock as I found it to be low in their inventory. The Hamadraya Baboon enclosure depicted in the picture had a designed replication of branches using beams of tree logs and hanging bars. There were no rats during the inspection, but Mrs Stanton admitted to having burrows made by rats within the enclosure, but she said they'd put controlling measures in place. We proceeded to go to the night rooms and where I found several bait stations, automatic humane rat traps in the passageway according to Mrs Seloana they also do have days of rat hunts using a CO machine to fumigate the burrows. She also mentioned that they have placed purchase orders but it takes a while for management to authorize it.

A written warning was issued to the Zoo for the dirty conditions of the buffalo , and I suggested a few recommendations. I will be conducting another inspection on the 20th of March to ensure compliance

ACTIONS

Warning Issued	Y 3427
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REPORT OUTCOMES

Follow-up inspection to be conducted	2025-03-20
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INSPECTION ANIMALS

Description:

3 x WILDLIFE (ELEPHANTS) - (COLOUR: GRAY & BRWON) CONDITION: ACCEPTABLE

Description:

15 x WILDLIFE (BABOON) - (COLOUR: MIXED) CONDITION: GOOD

Description:

10 x WILDLIFE (MONKEY) - (COLOUR: MIXED) CONDITION: GOOD

Description:

2 x WILDLIFE (TIGERS) - CONDITION: GOOD

Description:

10 x POULTRY (DUCK) - (COLOUR: MIXED) CONDITION: GOOD

Description:

2 x WILDLIFE - (COLOUR: REDDISH-BROWN WITH DARK SPOTS) CONDITION: UNSPECIFIED

Description:

2 x WILDLIFE (GIRAFFE) - (COLOUR: CHESTNUTS SPOTS & DARK BROWN) CONDITION: UNSPECIFIED

Description:

7 x CATTLE (VARIOUS) - (COLOUR: REDDISH) CONDITION: UNSPECIFIED

Description:

17 x POULTRY (CHICKEN) - (COLOUR: MIXED) CONDITION: GOOD

Description:

4 x WILDLIFE - (COLOUR: GREYISH AND BROWN) CONDITION: UNSPECIFIED

Description:

50 x OTHER (BIRD) - (COLOUR: MIXED) CONDITION: GOOD

Description:

2 x CATS (FERAL) - STERILISED (COLOUR: BLACK AND TORTIE) CONDITION: GOOD

Description:

2 x WILDLIFE (LION) - (COLOUR: REDDISH BROWN) CONDITION: GOOD

Description:

23 x POULTRY (GOOSE) - (COLOUR: GREY AND WHITE) CONDITION: ACCEPTABLE

Description:

11 x BIRDS (DUCK) - (COLOUR: VARIOUS) CONDITION: ACCEPTABLE

Description:

4 x WILDLIFE (BABOON) - MALE (COLOUR: GREY) CONDITION: ACCEPTABLE

Description:

1 x WILDLIFE (BABOON) - MALE (COLOUR: GREY) CONDITION: ACCEPTABLE