



WARNING # 13025

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You are hereby warned that:

The following was observed and must be rectified by Friday, the 21st of April 2023 as discussed, unless stated otherwise:

1. Most of the bird enclosures were observed to be unhygienic which can cause parasitic conditions and illness.
 - a. Dirty water bowls were observed containing bird faeces, food, and some with algae. The water bowls need to be checked and cleaned properly daily;
 - b. Most of the bird cages had built-up faeces and excess food was observed on the floor; The perches, grid, and sides of the cages and the extraction at the bottom of the cages also had debris. Ensure to clean the bird cages thoroughly;
 - c. The box inside the African Grey enclosure needs to be removed as this causes parasitic conditions. If a hiding space is required, ensure to provide a plastic one raised from the floor that can be easily cleaned;
2. One longhair white Teddybear hamster was observed to have growths over its body that appears to be cancer. It was mentioned that the hamster has not been seen by a veterinarian and is not for sale.
 - a. The hamster must be examined and treated by a veterinarian **within 20 hours** and a report must be forwarded to the SPCA within the given timeframe;
3. Some fish tanks had little or no environmental enrichment including hiding spaces. As explained to Michael Goodwin, this needs to be present in all fish tanks to prevent stress.
4. Some tanks had a build-up of algae and dirt on the gravel, the filter/pump equipment, and the roof of the enclosed glass tanks.
 - a. This can cause disease and parasitic conditions and needs to be cleaned thoroughly;
5. Two of the display tanks have broken lights.
 - a. This needs to be replaced or fixed **immediately**;

Recommendations:

1. In the reptile enclosures, some of the heat lamps did not have covers protecting the reptiles from direct contact with the light bulbs which can cause burns. Even though these lamps are not in use according to management, I would advise covering the lamps in advance until it is ready and needed to be used again.

This warning has been issued in terms of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act No 169 of 1993.

Failure to comply with this warning may render you liable for prosecution under the Animals Protection Act No 71 of 1962 and / or Performing Animals Protection Act No 24 of 1935.

Any person who:- obstructs, hinders or resists an officer authorised in terms of the Animals Protection Act No 71 of 1962 or conceals any animal shall be guilty of an offence in terms of Section 8(4) of the aforementioned Act.

SIGNED & ACCEPTED BY: Sent via Email	
PLACE: Cape of Good Hope SPCA	TIME: 16H30
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