



PET SHOP CHECK LIST

Case Number: **INSP226546**
Date of Inspection: January 13, 2026 **Time of Inspection:** 12:40
Name & Surname of Inspector/s: Lee prins and Wandile Nteleza

Name of Petshop: Highbury pet shop
Address: 2 highbury street, Highbury
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Name of Owner: Mohammd Sardar **Cellphone Number:** (064) 549-9561
Email: highburypetshop@gamail.com
Does this shop sell animals? Yes

GENERAL

What happens to sick animals? Taken to vet
What happens to animals after hours: Kept in shop
Quarantine Cages provided for sick or new animals: None seen
What Rodent control does the shop use? None
Do they breed? No
If breeding, what happens to the offspring? Parent Reared
If removed for hand rearing, from what age: Na

RODENTS

Are there Rodents? Yes

Numbers of live rodents

	Total number
Hamsters	15

Group Structures Mother & Young Separate

Compatibility of Groups Good (Play & Positive Interaction)

Space	Good (Play & move normally)
Cage Maintenance	Good
Hygiene of cages	Good
Are cages raised off the ground to prevent handling/accidental kicking/reduce stress:	Yes
Ventilation	Good (No Ammonia Smell)
Draughts	No
Temperature	Comfortable (20 ^o c- 24 ^o c)
Do they allow breeding?	No
How do staff handle animals?	Good
Do they allow public to handle the animals?	Not seen

	Adults	Supervised	Children	Supervised
Handling	Na			

Hiding areas Unacceptable (None) ***

Bedding description

	YES or NO	Type of bedding	Does it need to be changed?	Comments?
Is the bedding clean and absorbent?	Yes	Sawdust	No	

Cleaning routine

	Per day	Per week
How often is cleaning done	Once	

Water provision

	YES or NO	Hygiene of water provision	Comments
Water	Yes	Clean	

Is the diet Good & Nutritious

Diet Good Pellets, Roughage

Frequency of feeding? Once

Do they remove old food? Yes

Are the animals fully weaned	Under Age ***
Health concerns	No concerns noted
How are rodents transported from the shop	Carries
Where are unweaned rodents kept?	Good (with mother)
Are unweaned rodents sold live?	No (Good)
How are rodents killed (as reptile food)?	Not Applicable - purchase dead rodents
Please describe any concerns relating to the rodents	
Hiding places	

PUPPIES, KITTENS & RABBITS

Are there puppies, kittens &/or rabbits?	Not sold
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FISH

Are there Fish?	Yes
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Numbers of live fish

	Breed	Numbers
1	Fish	100

Hygiene of tanks	Good
Is water clean	Clear (see fish clearly)
Is equipment (nets/heaters) in good repair	Good
Do the tanks have efficient aeration	Good (Bubbles)
Do the tanks have filtration	Good
Is water in tanks tested appropriately for temperature/pH/ammonia/nitrites/oxygen	Yes
Are the tanks enriched	Plants, Hiding areas
Are the tanks overstocked	Good
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	No concerns observed

Temperature Suitable - Goldfish 10°C – 22°C	Yes
Temperature Suitable - Tropical fish 23°C-27°C	Yes
How often are the fish fed:	Daily
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	Good
Any dead fish observed: Describe Reason	No
Compatibility of Groups	Good
How are fish destroyed when necessary	Acceptable – brain maceration
Do Aquatic Amphibians have a shelf or floating island to enable them to get out of the water	Na
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
Please describe any concerns relating to the fish	None

BIRDS

Are there Birds? Yes

Numbers of live birds

	Breed	Numbers	Condition of birds
1	Budgies	2	Fair
2	Rosetta	2	Fair
3	Ringneck parakeet	2	Fair

Diet - with reference to the table above

	Feed type and brand	Frequency	Is the diet?	Do they remove old food	Comments
1	Seeds	Daily	Good & Nutritious	Yes	

Group Structures Same sizes together

Compatibility of Groups	Good (Play & Positive Interaction)
Space	Good (Play & move normally)
Cage Maintenance	Good
Hygiene of cages	Good
Ventilation	Good (Fresh & Clean)
Are birds exposed to draughts?	No
Are birds left in full sun?	No
Temperature	Comfortable
Shelter provided in outside pens	Good
Adequate Perch Space - Note: Birds need more horizontal space than vertical. Approx 10cm horizontal space per bird such as parakeets	Good (all can rest on perches at same time)
Is the thickness of the perch adequate?	Yes
Are perches placed above each other (causing faeces to drop onto birds below?)	No
Do they allow breeding?	No
Suppliers of birds	Unknown
How do staff handle animals?	Good
Do they allow public to handle the animals?	Not seen

	Adults	Supervised	Children	Supervised
Handling	Na			

Cleaning routine

	Per day	Per week
How often is cleaning done	Once	

Water provision

	YES or NO	Bowl type	Hygiene of water provision	Comments
Water	Yes	Non-Tip Bowl	Clean	

Are the animals fully weaned	Yes (feeding themselves well)
Health concerns	No concerns observed
How are birds transported from the shop	Carries

Please describe any concerns relating to Birds

None

REPTILES

Are there reptiles?

Not sold

SPIDERS, SCORPIONS & INSECTS

Are there spiders, scorpions &/or insects? Not sold

General comments

Upon on inspection Cadet inspector Nteleza and I met with Mohamd . We observe six birds kept in cages that are big enough for them to express their natural behavior . Had access to water , food and a clean environment. They had adequate perches but no environmental enrichment which we addressed to him. The birds appeared in a fair condition.

We then went to the fish

Fish tanks were clean and had covers , no dead fish were seen. Hamsters and hamsters and rabbit were kept in cages. That were big enough. They had access to water and a clean living environment. They did not have access to hiding places. They appeared in a fair condition

Was a warning issued? Yes

Warning number 14990

Is a follow up necessary

Yes

Date for follow up

January 20, 2026