

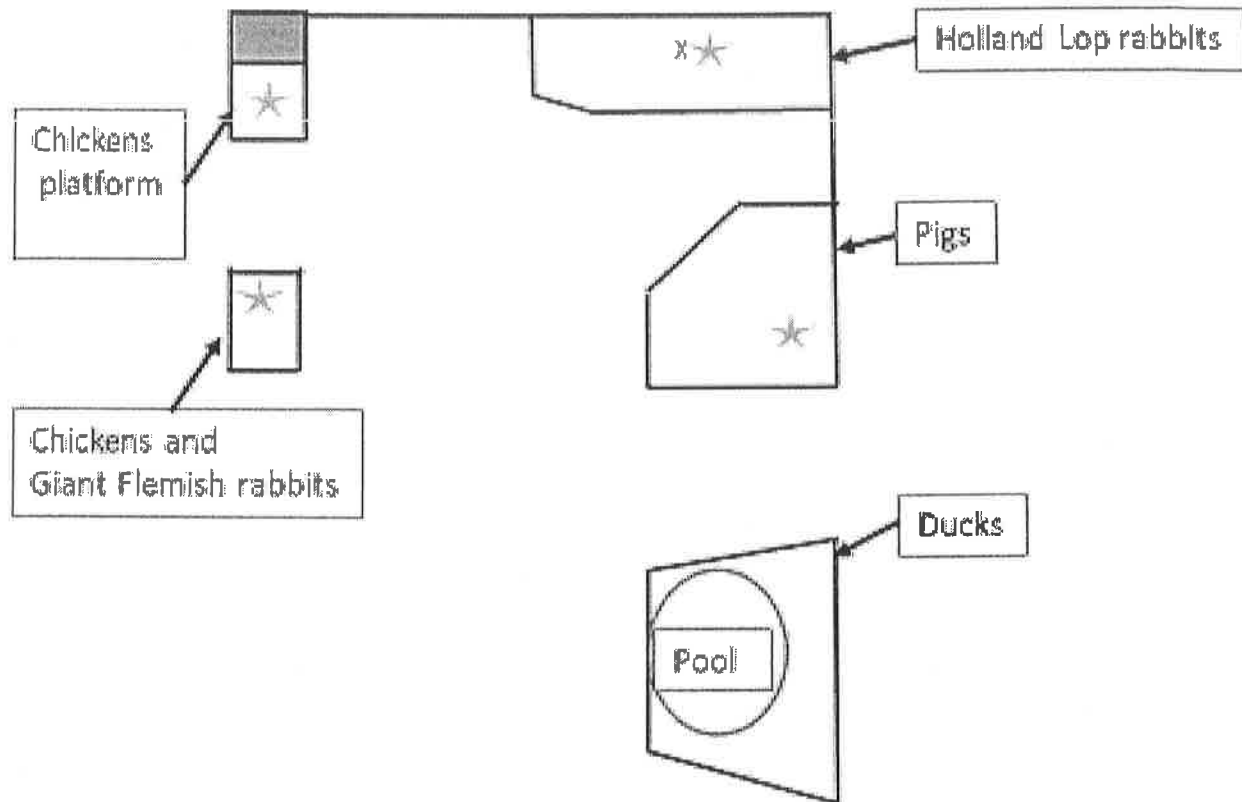
- Philip Bujalski, Chief Registered Environmental Health Specialist, recounted a few areas of concern involving public health within the exhibit as a result of his inspection.
- This report will be forwarded to Mr. Bujalski, Det. Kuzma, Det. Mendelson, and Det. Hubner.

Addendum November 02, 2020

Dennis Ferreira provided the CLI with documentation on the origin of the 5 Polish chickens. Mr. Ferreira reported that although the documentation indicates that 15 chickens were shipped to SeaQuest from Hoover's Hatchery in Iowa, 5 of these stayed at the exhibit and the remainder were "donated to a now, former employee." A VS 9-3 form was provided, which serves in lieu of a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection for poultry imported from out of state. See the VS 9-3 form attached below.

The CLI spoke with Dr. Anthony Loomis, of Westfield Animal Hospital, who acts of the SeaQuest attending veterinarian. Dr. Loomis confirmed that he did have plans to visit the exhibit on November 02, 2020. He stated that he visits the company once a month to complete examinations on all the animals. Dr. Loomis reported that the 3 deceased Silkie chickens had poor weight gain and that he believed they had an unknown underlining medical issue. However, no diagnostics nor necropsies were completed. He was unaware of the cause of death for the 1 Pekin duck as well. The CLI reminded Dr. Loomis to focus on herd health approaches to the livestock animals and to be cognizant of the movement of these species from out of state.

Diagram of livestock areas:



Date: 09/25/20

Complainant Information

Name: [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED]
City: Belle Mead County: Somerset State: NJ Zip Code: 08502
Preferred Telephone Number: [REDACTED] Other Telephone Number:
Fax Number: [REDACTED]
E-Mail Address: [REDACTED]

Complaint Against

Name: SeaQuest
Address: 101 Woodbridge Center Drive
City: Woodbridge County: Middlesex State: NJ Zip Code: 07095
Preferred Telephone Number: 732.283.2945 Other Telephone Number:
Fax Number:
E-Mail Address:

Complaint

Dates of Alleged Cruelty: From: Nov 2019 To: Sept 2020

Animal species involved: Pigs, Ducks, Chickens, Rabbits

What is the nature of the complaint?

Pigs, Ducks, Chickens & Rabbits housed in unsanitary, poor, inadequate conditions.

Please describe the facts of your complaint in the order in which they happened. Please be specific and print clearly. In the fillable PDF, you can only type 125 characters per line. You may use additional sheets of paper if they are needed.

On 8/13/20, I visited the SeaQuest Woodbridge establishment and found the conditions housing the above referenced animals to be unsanitary and inadequate. The conditions for these animals has further deteriorated since the entity opened in 2019.

The conditions could not be assessed during the mall closure due to the pandemic. Compared to 2 earlier assessments prior to the mall closure, however, conditions have further deteriorated. This could probably be due to lack of adequate staff. Pen enclosures were dirty, excessive urine and feces were present, inadequate bedding material exposed the animals to large areas of hard cement. Shelter structures were dirty. The duck water was dirty and cloudy. Continued on page 2, attached.

I certify that the statements made by me in this complaint are true and any documents attached are true copies. I am aware that if any statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Signature*

Return to:

[Signature] Date 9/28/20
Postal Service: PHEA1, State Police Division Headquarters, P.O. Box 330, Trenton, NJ 08625
Courier Service/Specimen and Animal Drop-off to: PHEA1, State Police Division Headquarters,
3 Schwarzkopf Dr., Ewing, NJ 08628

Phone: (609) 671-6400 Fax: (609) 609-671-6413

NPIP: 42-61

New Jersey 1

Hoover's Hatchery
200 Chickasaw St
Rudd, IA 50471

Facsimile of VS Form 9-31 -- Report of Sales of Hatching Eggs, Chicks, and Poults

This is to certify that the above named producer or shipper is participating in the NATIONAL POULTRY IMPROVEMENT PLAN and that the description and classification of the products listed are properly indicated. All chicks and eggs are produced from U.S. PULLORUM-TYPHOID CLEAN, H5/H7 AI CLEAN, SALMONELLA MONITORED flocks.



NPIP: 42-61

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Emily Reynolds".

Emily Reynolds February 26, 2020

These chicks originate from flocks located in an area where AI has not been diagnosed. All codes are from the NPIP APHIS 91-55-078 appendix.

Shipped to New Jersey on 2020-02-26

BRAYDEN ALBERTONI
250 WOODBRIDGE CENTER DR, Woodbridge, NJ 07095

Order #1613293

NPIP Code/State	Quantity	Code	Sex	Description
42-61-IA	8	R45	P	POLISH WHITE CRESTED BLACK
42-61-IA	5	R66	P	POLISH WHITE CRESTED BLUE
42-61-IA	2	R82	P	BUFF LACED POLISH



State of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
HEALTH / AGRICULTURE BUILDING
PO Box 330
TRENTON NJ 08625-0330

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Governor

SHEILA Y. OLIVER
Lt. Governor

DOUGLAS H. FISHER
Secretary

SeaQuest
c/o Dennis Ferreira
250 Woodbridge Center Drive
Woodbridge, NJ 07095

November 02, 2020

Dear Mr. Ferreira:

On October 29, 2020, I performed an inspection of your premises located at 250 Woodbridge Center Drive, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 as a NJ Department of Agriculture Certified Livestock Inspector (CLI) under N.J.A.C. 2:8 (Humane Standards) due to a humane complaint received by my office indicating improper care of your livestock. During the investigation all aspects of the Humane Standards were assessed. Representatives from the Woodbridge Health Department and Woodbridge and Middlesex Humane Law Enforcement were also present during the investigation. The animals were found mainly to be in conditions consistent with the Humane Standards, including, but not limited to, no obvious signs of clinical disease and a body condition score at or above the minimum standards. Two minor humane treatment violations were identified and is described below.

- As stated in N.J.A.C. 2:8-7.4 (b) 1 v., where constructed shelters are provided, they shall "provide an environment that supports swine health." The pigs are tearing at the paint and material comprising of their external wall, with the potential for pica, or inappropriate ingestion of these materials. This construction should be reassessed to provide a surface more tolerant to this destructive behavior, as the current materials may not be safe for the pigs to consume.
- As stated in N.J.A.C. 2:8-4.4 (b) 1 iii., constructed shelters shall "have a safe interior surface, reasonably free of injurious matter." The duck exhibit walls have evidence of tearing and/or pecking due to its appearance of disrepair. The ducks may be ingesting the paint and wall material. This was also observed during the January 2020 inspection. The wall construction should be reassessed to provide a surface more tolerant to this destructive behavior, as the current materials may not be safe for the ducks to consume.
- SeaQuest shall provide the CLI dated photographic proof that above-mentioned violations of the duck and pig enclosure walls have been addressed within 3 weeks (November 23, 2020).

Additionally, the CLI requested to be provided documentation on the origin of the 5 female Polish chickens. You provided this on October 31, 2020. The paperwork provided, a VS

9-3 form, serves in lieu of a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, which is important as these poultry were shipped from out of state.

For your education the following regulation documents will be provided: N.J.A.C. 2:2, 2:3, and 2:8. You are advised to familiarize yourself with these documents and adhere to the regulations, in particular those regarding the importation and humane treatment of livestock. Please refer to N.J.A.C. 2:8 for the Humane Treatment of Domestic Livestock for detailed information on the minimum requirements for raising livestock in New Jersey. The humane standards are also available at <http://www.nj.gov/agriculture/divisions/ah/>.

I appreciate your willingness to work with the state on this matter and if you have any questions regarding the investigation, please contact me at (609) 671-6400.

Sincerely,



Sandy Strilec, DVM
Veterinarian
New Jersey Department of Agriculture
Division of Animal Health
P.O. Box 330
Trenton, NJ 08625-0330
Phone: (609) 671-6400

Cc: Det. Mendelson (Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office), Det. Hubner (Woodbridge HLEO), Chief Kuzma (Woodbridge PD), Philip Bujalski (Woodbridge Health Department)

BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Sent: Thursday, April 2, 2020 10:26 AM
To: 'ronsluv95@verizon.net'
Subject: RE: SeaQuest

Dear Ms. Morgan,

As per Mr. James Bereheiko of Mall Management (this morning), SeaQuest has employees attending to their livestock every day. If you have any other questions, please contact Mr. Bereheiko accordingly.

Thank you. Phil

From: Denise Morgan [<mailto:ronsluv95@verizon.net>]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2020 8:43 AM
To: WBMAYOR
Subject: SeaQuest

Good Morning,

I am inquiring about the animals housed at SeaQuest. I have left a few messages for Detective Slossberg and she has not returned them. I was hoping to get an update on their condition. We do have sanctuaries waiting to rescue them.

Thank you for your time.

Denise Morgan
732-525-9536

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

----- Original message -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: 2/17/20 3:27 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "SLOSSBERG, JOELLE" <joelle.slossberg@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>
Cc: "MCCORMAC, JOHN" <john.mccormac@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>, WB MAYOR
<WB MAYOR@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>, exoticpermits@dep.nj.gov,
njfishandwildlife@dep.nj.gov, "CAMPIONE, HEATHER"
<heather.campione@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>, "MITCH, JOHN"
<john.mitch@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>, "KUZMA, SCOTT"
<SCOTT.KUZMA@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>
Subject: Chickens and Hairless Guinea Pigs at SeaQuest Woodbridge

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To whom it may concern,

I went to see SeaQuest for myself on Friday 2/14. The smell is beyond anything I was prepared for. If hits you in the face like a wave.

While I was there I noticed that one of the chickens seem to be acting strangely compared to the other three. I also noticed that the fourth chicken (which I've seen pictures of on Facebook) was not around. After waiting for some time and observing with certainty that the grey chicken was behaving oddly, I realized I was not going to find any staff walking by. I went to the cat enclosure and asked the attendant there to find somebody to help assess this chicken (who seemed to be unable to see and/or smell). The animal husbandry employee who came over to examine the chicken determined that there was in fact something covering her face and she needed to go to the back room for treatment. She said that the goop on her face might be related to a guest giving her a ham sandwich earlier in the day, so she could also have an upset stomach from that and may just not be interested in eating. She told me that the fourth chicken was in their coop in the back. According to this website <https://www.westword.com/news/seaquest-aquarium-operating-without-a-license-in-littleton-colorado-investigation-ongoing-10607943> it was discovered that at other locations there were insufficient and unsafe conditions in the back room for the animals. Who is following up to make sure that the animals that go into these areas are being taken care of appropriately and have sufficient housing available for them? Two ducks have never returned to the main floor as well. Are they also in this back room? I find it hard to believe that they had time to build all these enclosures, in the front as well as safe quarantine and recovery habitats for these animals in the back, in the mere three months that they've been operational, considering that they had cats and otters being kept in bathrooms prior to opening.

I also found it odd that when I went to feed the rays and the machine didn't work, I had to go all the way to the front of the store two times to find an employee to help me. There was nobody once again supervising any of the tanks or what anybody was doing near them. They have defrosting shrimp in the plastic eggs inside of the kind of machine you normally see filled with toys at the diner. How is this sanitary? Also I thought that you were supposed to wash your hands prior to touching any of the exhibits, in between touching any of the exhibits, and after touching any of them, but the only time somebody mentioned that I might want to wash my hands was after the person helped me with the machine and we were touching the decomposing shrimp.

I am confused by the fact that I was allowed to touch these animals since according to the Department of Environmental Protection regulations (see link below) in NJ it is prohibited to touch some of these animals. https://www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/pdf/xotic_theatric_nonresapp.pdf

So just like Dave & Buster's was given special permission to allow drinking while playing games (which isn't normally legal outside of Atlantic City), did SeaQuest receive some sort of special permission from the state to allow this?

When I went to the back, I noticed one of the skinny pigs, the one with a single small pink mark on his back, was behaving oddly, hiding in the wooden box and limping (see attached video). The same animal husbandry employee who removed the chicken came over and carried that skinny pig to the back as well.

My friend went there yesterday, 2/16 and did not see that skinny pig who limped and also had to report that a second skinny pig seemed to be injured and was showing extreme respiratory distress.

If the vet was there Saturday 10, only four hours, how did he manage to properly and thoroughly examine all 1,200 animals? Who ensures that these animals receive proper treatment on a daily basis when the vet is not there? I would think that a vet would need to be called, in order to assess an animal that was limping so severely, and one that was having such difficulty breathing.

My friend also took a video of the chickens and did not see the fourth chicken. But now white chicken seems to be injured and is holding its wing in an odd position. [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

I wasn't sure who could answer all of these questions and concerns so I sent this to everyone with whom I have spoken with about SeaQuest prior to now. [REDACTED]

thank you for your prompt response to my concerns,

[REDACTED]
<skinny pig 2-14.MOV>

<chicken 2-16.mov>

<skinny pigs 2-16.mov>

BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2020 5:50 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: duck

Hello Ms. Morgan!

I don't know for certain, but I would suggest contacting one or more the following agencies who we arranged to accompany us to the site last month (1/7/20):

- State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture Division of Animal Health 609-406-6936 .
- United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Animal Care Division 603-213-2580.
- State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Fish and Wildlife ("Permit Biologists") 609-984-6213.
Email: EXOTICPERMITS@dep.nj.gov

Respectfully,

Phil Bujalski
Chief REHS
Woodbridge Township Health Department
2 George Frederick Plaza
Woodbridge, NJ 07095
732-855-0600 x 5001

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2020 4:52 PM
To: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Subject: duck

Hi Phil,

Who do we OPRA to find out what happened with the injured duck. As far as veterinary care is concerned?

Thank you

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 3:48 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: MORONE, VALERI
Subject: RE: Seaquest

Ms. [REDACTED]
SeaQuest Management has confirmed to me today that they are currently in the process of evaluating a method for installing a physical barrier to keep the Ducks cordoned off so they can't poop where patrons can easily come in contact with.
They have agreed to keep me posted as to the related developments on this and that this is considered a priority. Thanks. Phil

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 3:38 PM
To: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Subject: Re: Seaquest

Sorry one more thing while I have you. There was an issue that they had to fix in the duck pond. The rocks where the ducks can stand and "poop" can be touched by patrons. That is extremely unsanitary and I believe it was supposed to be changed/fixed in August. It still has not been touched.

On Mon, Jan 27, 2020, 4:43 PM [REDACTED]

Hi,
Thanks for speaking with us on Friday. I know Valeri forwarded you pictures etc, but I also had a question. Who exactly keeps track of the health and safety of the animals what are NOT exotic? Like for instance the ducks and cats?
Also, where would we find a "master" list of the animals still at the location at any given time?
What exactly would your agency check on?
Sorry so many questions
Hope you are having a wonderful day.

BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 3:07 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: MORONE, VALERI
Subject: RE: Seaquest
Attachments: 4777_001.pdf

Hello [REDACTED]
Please see the answers (to the best of my knowledge) to your questions below;
Thank you.

Phil Bujalski
Chief REHS/Deputy Director of Health
Woodbridge Township Health Department
732-855-0600 x 5001

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 27, 2020 4:43 PM
To: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Subject: Seaquest

Hi,
Thanks for speaking with us on Friday.
Our pleasure.

I know Valeri forwarded you pictures etc, but I also had a question. Who exactly keeps track of the health and safety of the animals what are NOT exotic? Like for instance the ducks and cats?
SeaQuest's licensed Veterinarian and the SeaQuest Management and staff, State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture Division of Animal Health (I believe I gave you their main contact phone #).
SeaQuest keeps records of this which were reviewed by the appropriate NJ State agencies at our Multi-Agency visit there on 1/7/20.
Please see the attached for additional Agency oversight with respect to Animal Health.
I have contacted one of the SeaQuest managers about repairing the wall that is chipping from the Ducks pecking. They are in the process of repairing this. I will continue to follow this up with a visit to confirm the repair is completed.

Also, where would we find a "master" list of the animals still at the location at any given time?
I do not know for certain, but it would seem it would be some combination of SeaQuest itself and the NJ Department of Environmental Protection Division of Fish and Wildlife who issues "permits" for certain species of animals (see attached sample permit). To that end, I do not know if either of these are obligated to provide such a list to anyone.

What exactly would your agency check on?
General sanitation (important distinction to note that they are not a "Pet Shop").

Sorry so many questions
No problem.

Hope you are having a wonderful day.
Likewise!

[REDACTED]

BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020 8:53 AM
To: 'Brayden Albertoni'
Cc: GREEN, DENNIS; HAGERTY, JOHN
Subject: RE: SeaQuest Woodbridge Hand Santizers.

Thank you Brayden.
Please update me when the additional handwashing signage is posted.

Phil Bujalski
Chief REHS
Woodbridge Township Health Department
2 George Frederick Plaza
Woodbridge, NJ 07095
732-855-0600 x 5001

From: Brayden Albertoni [<mailto:brayden.albertoni@visitseaquest.com>]
Sent: Saturday, January 11, 2020 8:33 PM
To: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Subject: SeaQuest Woodbridge Hand Santizers

Hello Phil,

I just wanted to let you know we added 6 additional hand sanitizers throughout the facility. And I am currently working with my marketing team to create additional signage for handwashing. I also have my employees telling guests to wash their hands after each encounter.

Thanks,

Brayden Albertoni
General Manager, SeaQuest Woodbridge, NJ
woodbridge.visitseaquest.com

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BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: Brayden Albertoni <brayden.albertoni@visitsequest.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 11, 2020 8:33 PM
To: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Subject: SeaQuest Woodbridge Hand Sanitizers

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Thanks,

Brayden Albertoni
General Manager, SeaQuest Woodbridge, NJ
woodbridge.visitsequest.com

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BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2020 2:19 PM
To: GREEN, DENNIS
Cc: KUZMA, SCOTT; SLOSSBERG, JOELLE; CAMPIONE, HEATHER
Subject: SeaQust Woodbridge Center - Multi agency inspection.

Mr. Green,

Today, an unannounced multi agency inspection took place at the "SeaQuest" establishment in Woodbridge Center. The agencies included:

- United States Department of Agriculture (representative was also a "Veterinary Medical Officer").
- State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture Division of Animal Health (one of the representatives was also a "Veterinary Medical Officer").
- State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Fish and Wildlife (all were "Permit Biologists").
- An Officer with the Middlesex County Prosecutors Office.
- Woodbridge Township Police Department Animal Cruelty Division.
- Woodbridge Township Health Department.
- Woodbridge Township Animal Control Division.

The establishment Managers present were Brayden Albertoni and Rick Gardner along with additional store representatives that were noted as "persons in charge" or were otherwise particularly familiar with the various species of livestock and the related attractions, whom which the above noted agency representatives interviewed as part of this inspection. The inspection encompassed both the patron accessible and back room/employee-only areas of the facility and records of interest by particular agencies.

At the conclusion of the inspection, all agency representatives stated that the establishment had passed their respective inspections.

Phil Bujalski
Chief REHS/Deputy Director of Health
Woodbridge Township Department of Health
732-855-0600 x 5001

BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: Brayden Albertoni <brayden.albertoni@visitseaquest.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 02, 2020 6:57 PM
To: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Cc: GREEN, DENNIS; KUZMA, SCOTT; CAMPIONE, HEATHER; Charles Findlay; Vince Covino; Joey Mazzola
Subject: Re: SeaQuest

To whom it may concern,

Here at SeaQuest we are dedicated to keeping our animals safe and healthy. We are also dedicated to the health and safety of our team members and our guests. Ways we ensure guest safety and ensure disease prevention are as follows:

- Virkon Mats: We use Virkon mats at the entrance of every exhibit that the guest is allowed to enter. These mats are filled with an animal safe disinfectant (virkon) to prevent any cross contamination within our collection and to prevent a guest from bringing anything infectious to our animals and vice versa. These mats are filled throughout the day and we prompt our guests to use these mats as they enter and exit our exhibits.
- Hand Sanitizing Stations/ Hand Washing Stations: Through the facility we have hand sanitizing and hand wash stations and we are adding more sanitizing stations as soon as our supplier can deliver them. We check these and our hand wash stations thoroughly to ensure there is product to dispense. Guests are coached to use these stations after interacting with the animals.
- Veterinary Testing and Exams: We have our vet visit our location once a month to examine our collection. Our vet has also done fecal testing with our birds to ensure that there is no disease and that there is nothing to transfer to our guests or our collection. We are also able to contact our vet with any questions or concerns we may have.
- Employee Monitoring: Our training team members are there to ensure that our encounters are safe for both our guests and our animals. There is a team member always present when an encounter with a livestock animal is taking place and these team members have been trained on these animals body language so they can ensure to not stress the animals.
- HVAC System: Our HVAC system is a robust system that ensures that our air in the facility gets recycled to ensure no lingering unpleasant smells or air borne contaminants.
- Enclosure Cleaning: Our enclosures are cleaned and disinfected on a schedule to ensure that our animals are always in a clean environment. Although animals are animals and are prone to be messy our team works diligently to keep up and disinfect our animals exhibits. We use all animal safe disinfectants and the right equipment to ensure the job gets done right.

Please let me know if there is any other information you would like and if you would like to come and visit the facility I would be more than happy to give you a tour any time.

Regards,

Brayden Albertoni

General Manager, SeaQuest Woodbridge, NJ

woodbridge.visitseaquest.com | Cell: (475) 231-9354

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On Tue, Dec 31, 2019 at 12:18 PM BUJALSKI, PHILLIP <phil.bujalski@twp.woodbridge.nj.us> wrote:

Dear Mr. Albertoni,

As a follow-up to our Township multi-department visit to your establishment this morning in response to citizen complaints, please detail in writing the disease control procedures that were demonstrated/discussed as part of our visit (e.g. Veterinary service, footbath disinfectants, hand washing stations, hand wash station signage, hand sanitizer stations, employee monitoring of guest-livestock interactions, HVAC system, pen/enclosure/tank cleaning and monitoring, etc....).

Officially,

Phil Bujalski

Chief REHS

Woodbridge Twp. Health Dept.

732-855-0600 x 5001

From: Brayden Albertoni [mailto:brayden.albertoni@visitseaquest.com]

Sent: Monday, December 30, 2019 4:59 PM

To: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

Subject: Re: SeaQuest

To whom it may concern:

It is regretful that one of our visitors felt that our animals are kept in unsatisfactory conditions. I can assure you that SeaQuest takes all steps to ensure an active and healthy lifestyle for the species under our care. Allow me to address a few of the concerns mentioned:

Otter Pool

We use a shallow pool to help introduce our young otters to swimming as part of our training program. Once they are of age and ability, they'll have access to the full pool on exhibit and that temporary pool will be removed.

Parakeets

Our parakeets are offered seed by hand throughout the day. Visitors are discouraged to dump seed on the floor and a dustpan and broom are readily available by the attendant. Visitors are instructed to shuffle feet when entering the enclosure and to remain seated during the feeding interaction. There are antibiotic footbaths in place at the entrance and exit of the aviary to prevent cross contamination.

Iguanas

Our iguana's are provided with a 12 hour UV day period with supplemental heating and 24/7 constant heat source via ceramic heaters. They run all along the inner edge of the enclosure to ensure there are multiple heat zones for the iguanas. The lamps are protected/hidden from guest access to prevent injury. The iguanas have regular access to fresh water and vitamin supplementation and are offered a portion of their produce diet via visitor interactions.

Exhibit Design

We have all of our exhibit sizes inspected and approved by USDA and ensure that the animals are given plenty of enrichment and variety in their diet. Substrates are changed regularly and fresh water is always accessible. Exhibiting areas are kept sanitized on a regular schedule.

It is important that our community is confident in our animal care. If you have any questions, we would be happy to answer them.

Please let me know if you have any other questions, Phil.

Brayden Albertoni

General Manager, SeaQuest Woodbridge, NJ

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On Mon, Dec 30, 2019 at 3:59 PM Brayden Albertoni <brayden.albertoni@visitseaquest.com> wrote:

Hello Phil,

I apologize they are drafting the response as we speak it should get back to me within the next 30 minutes.

Thank you for your patience.

Regards,

Brayden Albertoni

General Manager, SeaQuest Woodbridge, NJ

woodbridge.visitseaquest.com | Cell:(475) 231-9354

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RISTAINO, ASHLEY LYNN

From: OUSTA, KIMBERLEY
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2019 8:39 AM
To: RISTAINO, ASHLEY LYNN
Subject: FW: Sequest in woodbridge

Hi, Ashley,

Not sure if you heard this complaint, but here it is. I'll also send it to Heather.

Thank you

From: MANTAGAS, DIANE
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2019 8:02 AM
To: OUSTA, KIMBERLEY
Subject: FW: Sequest in woodbridge

Concerned citizen alert below! ☺

Diane Mantagas

*Program Coordinator
Woodbridge Township
Senior Transportation
Health Department
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Diane.mantagas@twp.woodbridge.nj.us*

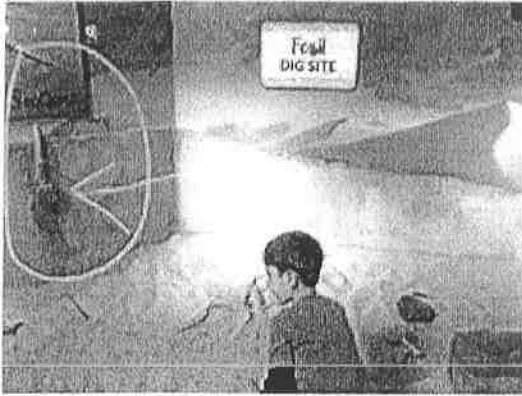
From: Tony Depasquale [<mailto:tonytrumpet50@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2019 7:58 AM
To: MANTAGAS, DIANE
Subject: Sequest in woodbridge

Hello I am just a concerned citizens who saw this on FB.

https://www.facebook.com/events/524603888159361/permalink/525012941451789/?notif_t=event_mail_comment¬if_id=1577720885081482

[REDACTED] I was there on opening day. The people were nice and my small child had a nice time. However, there were many animals in distress, specifically the iguanas. I've owned iguanas and know the care and atmosphere they need to thrive... this was not it. Small children handling and stepping over them on a concrete floor in a room well below the adequate temperature. Large iguanas should have a large enclosure to themselves and the room should be a balmy 80 degrees. Having a dozen iguanas huddled under heat lamps, fighting with each other, etc. is what you'd expect from a teenager that doesn't know how to properly take care of their pets... not a "reputable" animal care facility. I'm definitely not an animal rights activist, but even my small child was afraid someone would step on the small iguanas walking around. There is also no way that the room filled with parakeets is safe for kids or the birds. Both bird and iguana feces can carry disease and be very hazardous to small children. Other places that allow iguana interaction let one child touch one animal in the hands of a caretaker, then insist they wash their hands afterwards. That among

dirty water bowls and animals on concrete too close to young hands. Touch tank with no supervision where I witnessed a child pick up a starfish and try carrying it away. I found other safety violations such as an open multi-outlet power grid in a children's dig area (see pic) - The only pic I took. I expected this to be more like Jenkinsons Aquarium with supervised touch tanks.



BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: KUZMA, SCOTT
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2019 11:07 AM
To: HAGERTY, JOHN; HUBNER,ROBERT; NISKY, JOSEPH
Cc: MCCORMAC, JOHN; Bellisano, Amy S.; CAMPIONE, HEATHER; BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Subject: RE: SeaQuest

I completed the walkthrough with Heather Campione and Phil Bujalski. There were no animal cruelty or neglect issues, and no serious Health Code Violations. Detective Hoppock authored a report for animal cruelty investigation. Phil Bujalski will be authoring a report for the Health investigation. Mall Security Director Robert Schaber was made aware of the potential for weekend protests. All good for now.

From: KUZMA, SCOTT
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2019 9:45 AM
To: HAGERTY, JOHN; HUBNER,ROBERT; NISKY, JOSEPH
Cc: MCCORMAC, JOHN; Bellisano, Amy S.
Subject: RE: SeaQuest

I am at Seaquest now meeting Animal Control and the Health Department to do a walk through.

----- Original message -----

From: "HAGERTY, JOHN" <john.hagerty@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>
Date: 12/31/19 09:04 (GMT-05:00)
To: "HUBNER,ROBERT" <robert.hubner@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>, "NISKY, JOSEPH" <joseph.nisky@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>, "KUZMA, SCOTT" <SCOTT.KUZMA@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>
Cc: "MCCORMAC, JOHN" <john.mccormac@twp.woodbridge.nj.us>, "Bellisano, Amy S." <Amy.Bellisano@brookfieldpropertiesretail.com>
Subject: FW: SeaQuest

Bob, Joe, Scott: FYI: We are receiving an increased number of e-mails and phone calls regarding Sea Quest... the below communication is the first to note that a protest is planned for next week.

From: WBMAYOR
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2019 8:51 AM
To: MCCORMAC, JOHN
Cc: HAGERTY, JOHN
Subject: FW: SeaQuest

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2019 10:32 AM
To: WBMAYOR
Subject: SeaQuest

Mr. Mayor,

I am a Woodbridge resident, business owner, dog mother and formerly a marine biologist. I'm not a veterinarian, but it doesn't take one to know how bad the conditions at SeaQuest at the mall are. We knew the company's reputation before it was put in. Why was it allowed? Did no one do their homework? I'm seeing posts all over Facebook at the - unsurprisingly - horrid conditions the animals are facing. Is this who Woodbridge is? You know our president just made animal cruelty and negligence a felony right? How long will this crime be condoned by Woodbridge? I'm sure I'm not the first to inform you of this. I'm sure I'm not the first to let you know that executives of SeaQuest have been imprisoned - yes convicted and sent to prison - MULTIPLE times for animal cruelty and negligence that led to the injury of animals and patrons. HUNDREDS of animals (https://www.peta.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/CovinoFamilyFactsheet.pdf?fbclid=IwAR2Gaekj_23LHYhp0B16mlMyi3HZvjo7Rzjc_EHkcscubudHuM3o2o92Q0). Yes, the citizens, the CHILDREN, of Woodbridge are at risk too. Residents are planning a protest for next week. A protest, in our peaceful town!

Do the right thing.

Best,



BUJALSKI, PHILLIP

From: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Sent: Tuesday, December 31, 2019 12:19 PM
To: 'Brayden Albertoni'
Cc: GREEN, DENNIS; KUZMA, SCOTT; CAMPIONE, HEATHER
Subject: RE: SeaQuest

Dear Mr. Albertoni,

As a follow-up to our Township multi-department visit to your establishment this morning in response to citizen complaints, please detail in writing the disease control procedures that were demonstrated/discussed as part of our visit (e.g. Veterinary service, footbath disinfectants, hand washing stations, hand wash station signage, hand sanitizer stations, employee monitoring of guest-livestock interactions, HVAC system, pen/enclosure/tank cleaning and monitoring, etc....).

Officially,
Phil Bujalski
Chief REHS
Woodbridge Twp. Health Dept.
732-855-0600 x 5001

From: Brayden Albertoni [<mailto:brayden.albertoni@visitseaquest.com>]
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2019 4:59 PM
To: BUJALSKI, PHILLIP
Subject: Re: SeaQuest

To whom it may concern:

It is regretful that one of our visitors felt that our animals are kept in unsatisfactory conditions. I can assure you that SeaQuest takes all steps to ensure an active and healthy lifestyle for the species under our care. Allow me to address a few of the concerns mentioned:

Otter Pool

We use a shallow pool to help introduce our young otters to swimming as part of our training program. Once they are of age and ability, they'll have access to the full pool on exhibit and that temporary pool will be removed.

Parakeets

Our parakeets are offered seed by hand throughout the day. Visitors are discouraged to dump seed on the floor and a dustpan and broom are readily available by the attendant. Visitors are instructed to shuffle feet when entering the enclosure and to remain seated during the feeding interaction. There are antibiotic footbaths in place at the entrance and exit of the aviary to prevent cross contamination.

Iguanas

Our iguana's are provided with a 12 hour UV day period with supplemental heating and 24/7 constant heat source via ceramic heaters. They run all along the inner edge of the enclosure to ensure there are multiple heat zones for the iguanas. The lamps are protected/hidden from guest access to prevent injury. The iguanas have regular access to fresh water and vitamin supplementation and are offered a portion of their produce diet via visitor interactions.

Exhibit Design

We have all of our exhibit sizes inspected and approved by USDA and ensure that the animals are given plenty of enrichment and variety in their diet. Substrates are changed regularly and fresh water is always accessible. Exhibiting areas are kept sanitized on a regular schedule.

It is important that our community is confident in our animal care. If you have any questions, we would be happy to answer them.

Please let me know if you have any other questions, Phil.

Brayden Albertoni

General Manager, SeaQuest Woodbridge, NJ

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On Mon, Dec 30, 2019 at 3:59 PM Brayden Albertoni <brayden.albertoni@visitseaquest.com> wrote:

Hello Phil,

I apologize they are drafting the response as we speak it should get back to me within the next 30 minutes.

Thank you for your patience.

Regards,

Brayden Albertoni

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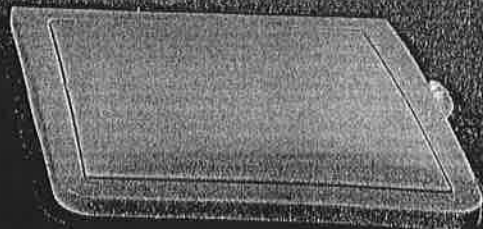
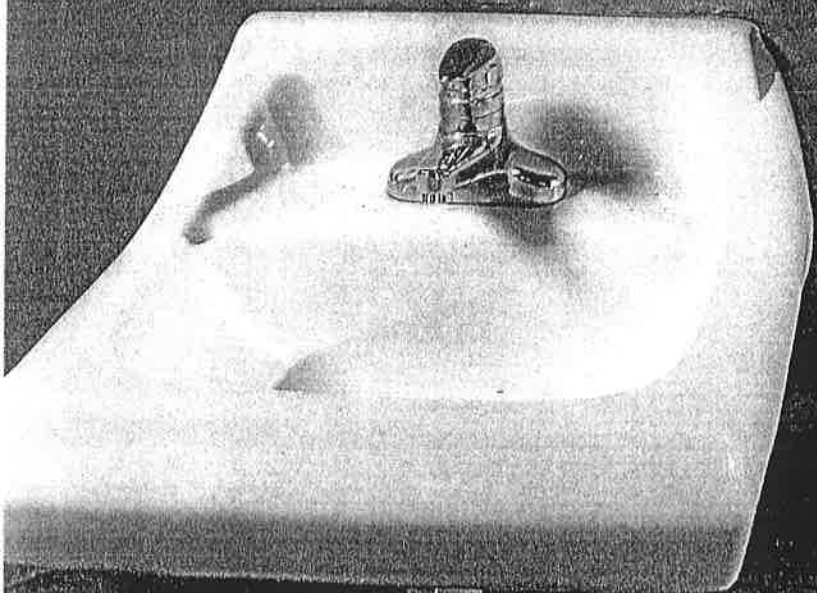
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