



Inspection Report

CHRIST KING
100 SPROUL RD
CHRISTIANA, PA 17509

Customer ID: **332637**
Certificate: **23-A-0605**
Site: 001
CHRIST KING

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 15-AUG-2023

2.75(b)(1) Repeat

Records: Dealers and exhibitors.

A current record of guinea pigs on hand was not available for review during this inspection. There were no inventory records kept for several months indicating the number of adult guinea pigs and newborns present except for a weekly count of new weanlings removed from adult enclosures. A total of 506 adult guinea pigs, 206 weanlings, and 148 newborns were counted during this inspection. Failure to maintain these records can make it difficult to assess the health of the caviary by identifying animal losses by decreased number of guinea pigs born or raised. Licensee must maintain records containing the required information for animals which disclose the number of guinea pigs held, owned, acquired or disposed of including births and deaths. Remains uncorrected.

3.25(a)

Facilities, general.

Structural strength. There were 8 guinea pig enclosures in the workshop with barn swallow nests with offspring in this area. A total of 87 adult guinea pigs and 7 newborns were present in the workshop due to lack of enclosure space in the animal room. Indoor housing facilities for guinea pigs must be structurally sound, maintained in good repair, protect the guinea pigs from injury, and restrict other animals from entering. Bird droppings can contaminate enclosures and other surfaces which can affect the health of guinea pigs. Guinea pigs can not be housed in areas that do not restrict other animals from entering. Correct by September 1, 2023.

3.28(c)(1)(iii)

Primary enclosures.

Space. Insufficient space was being provided in two weanling enclosures. Weanling enclosures measure 24 inches wide by 78 inches long or 1872 square inches of floor space. The top enclosure was housing 85 male weanlings, and the bottom enclosure was housing 76 female weanlings. Weanlings weighing up to 350 grams require at least 60 inches of floor space each. Can not house more than 31 guinea pig weanlings in this size enclosure.

Insufficient space can cause stress and increase aggression in animals which can increase bites, scratches, ear chewing, and other injuries. Licensee must ensure that guinea pigs are provided with at least the minimum amount of floor space per animal to prevent overcrowding and aggression. Correct by August 22, 2023.

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3.31(c)

Sanitation.

There were 8 enclosures in the workshop adjacent to the guinea pig room housing replacement guinea pig breeders and their offspring. A total of 87 adult guinea pigs and 7 newborns were present in this workshop. There were at least 11 barn swallow nests in this area with two nests containing offspring. Numerous swallow droppings were present on the floor, walls, and room surfaces in the workshop. Bird droppings can contaminate surfaces and enclosures housing guinea pigs. Guinea pigs must be housed in facilities that restrict the entrance of other animals. An effective program for the control for birds and other pests must be established and maintained to protect the health of the guinea pigs. Correct by September 1, 2023.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
332637	23-A-0605	001	CHRIST KING	15-AUG-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000860	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000860	Total	