

PET SHOP CHECK LIST**Inspection Details**

This is an internal document to be used by Inspectors to guide them in undertaking a basic pet shop inspection. The most common species have been included here together with common concerns but it is up to the inspector to find out more information, ask questions and ensure that appropriate action is taken to ensure the welfare of the animals is protected.

Explanatory Note: When completing this checklist, the relative observations can be circled or underlined and or inspectors comments recorded on the line above. For example:

Hygiene of cages: Overall good – cages being cleaned during inspection Hamsters
 Good Fair Bad Excess Faeces Old/Soiled Food

Name of Pet Shop: Pikkenyn Petshop.

Address: 61 Main Str., Vredenburg.

Name of Owner: Joshua Kaseu Cell: 083233 8604

Tel: _____ Fax/Email: _____

Veterinarian: Vredenburg Animal Hospital Tel: _____

GENERAL

What happens to sick animals: Taken to the vet.

What happens to animals after hours: Stay in the shop.

What treatment do Puppies get: N/A

What treatment do Kittens get: N/A

Quarantine Cages Provided: Yes.

Rodent control: They have a cat that stays in the shop.

Suppliers of animals: Unwanted pets that owners can't find a home for.

Do they breed: No.

If breeding, what happens to offspring: N/A.

If removed for hand rearing, from what age: N/A

Reason for hand rearing: N/A

RODENTS

Numbers: Rats _____ Mice _____ Guinea Pigs _____ Hamsters _____

Group structures _____

Compatibility of Groups _____

Space _____

Cage Maintenance _____

Are cages raised off the ground to prevent handling/accidental kicking/reduce stress: _____

Hygiene of cages _____

Ventilation _____

Draughts _____

Temperature _____

Do they allow breeding _____

How do staff handle animals _____

Do they allow public to handle the animals _____

Hiding areas _____

Bedding _____

Is bedding clean & absorbent _____

Cleaning routine _____ per day _____ per week

Water _____

Hygiene of water provision _____

Diet _____

Frequency of feed _____ Do they remove old food? Yes _____ No _____

Is the diet _____

Are the animals fully weaned _____

Condition of animals _____

Describe Concerns _____

How are rodents transported from the shop _____

Where are unweaned rodents kept _____

Are unweaned rodents sold live? _____

How are rodents killed (as reptile food)? _____

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Hitting on Head/live freezing Describe

PUPPIES, KITTENS & RABBITS

Puppy Numbers & Breeds: _____

Kitten Numbers: _____ Rabbit Numbers: _____

Group structures _____

Singly Only with litter mates Some litters mixed All together

Compatibility of Groups _____

Good (Play & Positive Interaction) Mixed Sizes Bullying Describe Above

Space _____

Good (Play & move normally) Acceptable (stretch out, stand normally & turn) Cramped/Too small

Cage Maintenance _____

Good Fair (some repairs needed) Poor (harmful features)

Hygiene of cages _____

Good Fair Unacceptable Excess Faeces Old/Soiled Food

Ventilation _____

Good (Fresh & Clean) No (Stuffy & Smelly) Describe Above

Draughts _____

No Yes Describe Above

Temperature _____

Too Hot (Panting etc) Too Cold (Cuddled up/shivering) Comfortable

Shelter provided in outside pens _____

Good Needs Improvement Poor None

Do they allow breeding _____

Yes No Describe Above

How do staff handle animals _____

Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

Do they allow public to handle animals: Adults _____ Children (Age) _____ Under supervision _____

Floor construction: _____

Wood Concrete Chicken Mesh Weld Mesh Soil Other

Bedding: _____

Blankets Bed Carpet Soil Sawdust Straw Newspaper Other

Is Bedding Clean & Absorbent: _____

Yes No Needs Changing Other

Cleaning routine _____ per day _____ per week

Water _____

Non-Tip Bowl Bowl too small Bowl too deep to reach water None Available

Hygiene of water provision _____

Clean Dirty Very Dirty Green Algae Soiled

Diet for Puppies _____ Kittens _____

Diet for Rabbits _____

Quality Pellets Roughage Fresh Vegetables/Fruit Other

Is the diet _____

Good & Nutritious Poor Not Fresh Not Enough Other

Frequency of feed _____ Do they remove old food? Yes _____ No _____

Are the animals fully weaned? _____

Yes (feeding themselves well) Just Weaned Not Weaned

Condition of animals _____

Good Fair Poor Very Poor

Describe Concerns _____

Injuries/Poor Coat/Listless/Runny Eyes/Runny Nose/Diarrhoea

FISHHygiene of tanks Very goodIs water clean Yes Good Fair Poor Excess Algae Waste Material (Faeces/Debris)Is equipment (nets/heaters) in good repair Yes Clear (see fish clearly) Quite Clear Smelly Foamy (on surface) CloudyDo the tanks have efficient aeration Yes Good Fair Poor OtherDo the tanks have filtration Yes Good (Bubbles) Fair (some bubbles) Unacceptable (No bubbles)Is water in tanks tested appropriately for temperature/pH/ammonia/nitrites/oxygen Yes ☒ No ☐ Good Fair NoneAre the tanks enriched Yes Plants Hiding Areas Rocks Gravel OtherAre the tanks overstocked No Good Fair PoorAre lights turned off at night for fish to rest Yes Yes NoDo tanks have covers Yes Yes NoWater at proper level (should be small gap between top of water and cover) Yes Yes NoCondition of animals Good Good Fair Poor very Poor Describe AboveDescribe Concerns None observed Unusual growths, patches or spots/Wounds/Abnormal swimming/ Over or under activity/Bloating/Ble damage/Parting at surface/Flapping/Clamped finsTemperature Suitable Yes Room temp 10°C - 22°C, Tropical fish 23°C - 27°CHow often are the fish fed: Once a day Yes Daily Not during weekends (unacceptable)Is enough species specific food given Yes Yes No Appears AcceptableIn the event of a power failure is the pet shop owner / attendant informed: Yes Yes NoHow do staff handle animals oil Good Fair Poor UnacceptableAny dead fish observed: Describe Reason No Good Fair Poor UnacceptableCompatibility of Groups Good Good Fair Poor UnacceptableHow are fish destroyed when necessary Mixture of clove Good Fair Poor UnacceptableoilUnacceptable - fed live to other fish/left out of water to suffocate/flushed down toilets)Acceptable - brain maceration/submersion in clove oil (and other suitable chemicals)Do Aquatic Amphibians have a shelf or floating island to enable them to get out of the water N/AHow do the buyers transport the fish from the shop Plastic with air DescribeIs the chlorine removed from tap water before adding to tanks Yes In strong plastic bags pumped with pure oxygen(Aerated for 24 hours or a de-chlorinating product used)? Yes Yes No

BIRDS

Bird Numbers & Breeds 2x Ringnecks

Group structures Good

Compatibility of Groups Good

Space Good

Cage Maintenance Good

Hygiene of cages Good

Ventilation Good

Are birds exposed to draughts No

Are birds left in full sun No

Temperature Comfortable

Shelter provided in outside pens No outside pens

Adequate perch space Yes

Are perches placed above each other (causing faeces to drop onto birds below) No

Suppliers of birds Unweaned pets

How do staff handle animals Did not observe

Cleaning routine Once every day every 7 days

Water Non AIP best

Hygiene of water provision Good

Diet for Birds bird seeds

Frequency of feed: Once a day Do they remove old food: Yes ☒ No ☐

Is the diet Good

Are the animals fully weaned Yes

Condition of animals Good

Describe Concerns None

How are birds transported from the shop In a box or bird

Large

REPTILES

Reptile Numbers & Breeds _____

Group structures _____

Singly In small groups Large Groups Same species Mixed Species

Compatibility of Groups _____

Good (No aggression/anxiety) Aggression Describe Above

Space _____

Good (stretch & move normally) Acceptable (stretch out, turn normally) Too small (cramped, no normal movement)

Note: The cage / tank should be large enough for the entire body of snakes, more than double in lizards

Cage/Tank Maintenance _____

Good Fair (some repairs needed) Poor (harmful features)

Hygiene of cages _____

Good Fair Bad Excess Scat Excess Shedded Skin

Are reptiles left in full sun _____

No Yes Describe Above

Temperature Suitable _____

Note: Snakes tropical 27°C – 38°C, other 20°C – 35°C; Lizards 30°C–35°C

How do staff handle animals _____

Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

Do they allow public to handle the animals _____

Yes No Not Seen

Handled by: Adults _____ Children (Age) _____ Only under supervision _____

Venomous snakes: Are staff trained to handle _____

Yes No

Security/safety _____

Double Door/ Single Door/ Door Latch/ Door Lock/Back door/Warning signs

Are tank covers secure to prevent escape _____

Yes No

Enrichment/Hiding Area _____

Logs / Wood / Box / Pipes / Tunnels / Describe Other

Bedding _____

Snakes: non-absorbent material like newspaper Lizards: gravel Describe Above

Is bedding clean & absorbent _____

Yes No Needs Changing Other

Cleaning routine _____ per day _____ per week

Heating _____

Heat Lamp / Light Bulb / Heat Tile / Hot water Bottle / Heating Pad / Element / None

Safety of heat source _____

No bare lamps

Water _____

Non-Tip Bowl Deep Wide Bowl Too Small None Available

Hygiene of water provision _____

Clean Dirty Filthy Green Algae Soiled

Diet for reptiles _____

Live Prey (Unacceptable) Dead Animals Describe Above

Source of prey _____

Bought dead (from where) Killed on site (describe method) Other

Frequency of feed _____ Do they remove old food? Yes _____ No _____

Condition of animals _____

Good Fair Poor Very Poor Describe Bad Shedding

Describe concerns _____

Injuries/ Laboured Breathing/Holding mouth open/Nasal discharge

How are reptiles transported from the shop _____

SPIDERS & SCORPIONS, INSECTS

Numbers & Breeds: _____

Group structures _____

Compatibility of Groups _____
Singly In small groups Large Groups Same species Mixed SpeciesSpace _____
Good (No aggression/anxiety) Aggression/Fighting Describe Above

Good (Stretch/move normally) Acceptable (stretch out/tum normally) Too small (cramped together/no normal movement)

Cage/Tank Maintenance _____

Hygiene of cages _____
Good Fair (some repairs needed) Poor (harmful features)

Good Fair Bad Old/Soured Food Mould

Are Tarantulas protected from bright lights/full sun which will dry them out _____

No Yes Describe Above

Temperature Suitable _____

Note: Tropical species need more humidity than desert animals

How do staff handle animal _____

Good Fair Poor Unacceptable

Do they allow public to handle the animals _____

Yes No Not Seen

Handled by: Adults _____ Children (Age) _____ Only under supervision _____

Security/safety _____

Are tank covers secure to prevent escape _____
Door Latch/ Door Lock

Yes No

Enrichment/Hiding Area _____

Logs / Wood / Box / Pipes / Tunnels Describe Other

Substrate _____

Is substrate Clean & Absorbent _____

Yes No Needs Changing Other

Cleaning routine _____ per day _____ per week

Heating _____

Heat Lamp / Light Bulb / Heat Tile / Hot water Bottle / Heating Pad / Electric / None

Safety of Heat Source _____

No bare lamps One side of tank Over entire tank

Water _____

Non-tip Bowl Deep Wide Bowl Shallow Bowl Gel Balls None Available

Hygiene of water provision: _____

Clear Dirty Filthy Green Algae Soiled

Diet for Animals _____

Live Prey Dead Insects Food flakes Describe Above

Source of Food _____

Frequency of feed _____ Do they remove old food: Yes _____ No _____

Condition of animals _____

Good Fair Poor Very Poor Describe Above

Describe concerns _____

Injuries/ Limbs missing/upside down Describe Other

How are animals transported from the shop: _____

ON COMPLETION OF INSPECTION COMPLETE THIS SECTION:

Was a warning given? (Copy to be attached)

Yes _____ No ☒Comments:

- ① Pet shop was clean and neatly.
- ② All animals had water and food available.
- ③ Bird cage was clean.
- ④ Fish tank water clean and no dead fish was observed.

Inspector: J. OCTOBER Date: 01/12/25 Time: 12:00

Follow up due _____

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