

SANDTON SPCA
INSPECTOR REPORT

IIEF16303

Complaint Reference No.

Building: UNIT 4
Street: 50 HYDE PARK CLOSE
Suburb: HYDE PARK
Postal Code:
Inspector: XOLANE MNCUBE
Date of Inspection: 2026-05-16
Time of Inspection: 15:30

RESPONDENT'S DETAILS

Name:
Company:
Identification:
Email:
Tel 1:
Tel 2:

REPORT

Access Granted By: BYRON PETER MCCARTH
Comment:
Were Animals Seen on the Property: Yes
Relationship to Property Owner: Owner
Captured By: XOLANE MNCUBE 2026-05-23 12:45

CHECKLISTS

ANIMALS IN GOOD CONDITION	Yes	
VETERINARY PROBLEMS / HEALTH CO	No	
ADEQUATE SHELTER AVAILABLE	Yes	
WATER AVAILABLE	Yes	
CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT	Yes	
ADEQUATE SPACE AVAILABLE	Yes	
CONFINEMENT OF ANIMALS	Caged - adequate space	Fish tanks

General Report Comments: During the inspection it was observed that the fish tanks are equipped with efficient aeration and filtration systems. The tanks contain various forms of enrichment, including rocks, plastic pipes, artificial flowers, sand, plants and gravel which contribute to the environmental stimulation of the School of fish.

The owner demonstrated that the tank lighting system is controlled remotely via a mobile phone application. The lights are switched off at night to allow the fish to rest & the owner confirmed that he is able to control the lighting even when away from the premises.

The water levels in the tanks were found to be appropriate with sufficient space between the top of the water and the tank covers. The recorded water temperature ranged between 22°C & 26°C which appear to be acceptable range.

Fish food observed on the premises included frozen fish purchased from Woolworths , as well as flakes and pellets used for feeding.

The fish observed in the tanks appeared to be in acceptable condition at the time of inspection. The owner advised that veterinary care is obtained from Greenside Animal Hospital and that some minor treatments are also administered by the owner when fish become ill which he showed me the medication used.

When questioned regarding the purpose of keeping the fish the owner stated that the fish are kept as pets and due to a personal interest in fishkeeping.

Species observed or reported by the owner included angelfish, catfish, guppies, Channa barca, crabs, and several smaller fish species that were difficult to positively identify during the inspection .

The owner indicated that some of the smaller fish were angelfish.

The matter has been escalated to Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD) and the relevant environmental authorities to assist with the identification of the fish species and to determine whether any permits are required for the keeping of certain species.

ACTIONS

OTHER	Escalated to GDARD & enviromental
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REPORT OUTCOMES

Follow-up inspection to be conducted	2026-05-26
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INSPECTION ANIMALS

Description:

55 x OTHER (FISH) - CONDITION: UNSPECIFIED