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**INSPECTION REPORT**

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**MITCHEL KALMANSON**

**Customer ID: 2996**

**Certificate: 58-C-0505**

**33432 C.R. 437  
SORRENTO, FL 32776**

**Site: TRA**

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**Inspection**

**Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION**

**Date: JUN-03-2004**

**2.40 (b)(4)**

**ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).**

Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include adequate guidance to personnel involved in the care and use of animals regarding handling, immobilization, anesthesia, analgesia, tranquilization, and euthanasia.

\*\*\*Written handling and capture and restraint protocols have not been established or are unknown to the animal handler(s). Animal personnel should receive guidance on the handling of tigers and immobilization as a means of preventing escapes and possible injury to the animal(s). Correct by June 11, 2004.

**2.131 (b)(1)**

**HANDLING OF ANIMALS.**

During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

\*\*\*There is no barrier fence constructed around the tigers. There is a 6 ft. perimeter fence for the circus area with a gate. The gate leads into a mall parking lot and directly faces the tigers. This gate is often open and unattended. There is an inadequate barrier to protect the animals and public from harm and to prevent the entry of unwanted animals and unauthorized persons. The perimeter fence is inadequate as a barrier and must be constructed in a way to protect the animals from unwanted animals and unauthorized persons or appropriate alternative security measures should be employed. Correct by June 4, 2004.

NOTE: An appropriate 8ft perimeter fence was constructed around the tiger holding, loading, and play area on the morning of June 4, 2004.

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**3.132**

**EMPLOYEES.**

A sufficient number of adequately trained employees shall be utilized to maintain the professionally acceptable level of husbandry practices set forth in this subpart. Such practices shall be under a supervisor who has a background in animal care.

\*\*\* Only one handler is responsible for the care and handling of the tigers, even when the animals are being shifted from cage to cage. Standard acceptable handling practices require that at least two persons are present when cats are being shifted as a measure to prevent injury to an animal or the escape of an animal through an unattended gate/door or opening. Additional adequately trained personnel should be employed to assist with the handling of the animals for the overall well-being of the animals. Correct by June 4, 2004.

NOTE: Additional adequately trained personnel were employed and observed assisting with the handling of the tigers.

This inspection was conducted at the Capitol Plaza Mall in Landover, MD under the UniverSoul Circus.

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