

Inspection Report

Arden and Carol Plett	Customer ID: 6020365
107165 S 4270 Rd	Certificate: 73-A-2860
Checotah, OK 74426	Site: 001
	Arden and Carol Plett
	Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION
	Date: 25-JUN-2024

3.153(a)(1)(ii)

Primary enclosures.

- In separate cages in the separate juvenile area of the facility, two birds had become entrapped between the roof of the cage and a horizontal layer of caging just below the roof. Both birds were rescued by the licensee and showed no apparent ill effects. However, entrapment such as this is a risk to the birds and could result in injury or even death if the birds are trapped for a long period of time. Primary enclosures must be constructed and maintained in such a manner to ensure the birds are protected from injury.

Corrected at the time of inspection

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with licensee.

Additional Inspectors:

Margaret Shaver, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

	MICHAEL TYGART VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER	USDA, APHIS, Animal Care	Date: 26-JUN-2024	
Received by Title:	Licensee		Date:	

26-JUN-2024



United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Customer: 6020365 Inspection Date: 25-Jun-2024

Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
6020365	73-A-2860	001	Arden and Carol Plett	25-JUN-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
002000	Melopsittacus undulatus	BUDGERIGAR / BUDGIE / COMMON PARAKEET / SHELL PARAKEET

002000 **Total**



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3.151(a)

Direct

Facilities, indoor

- The temperature of the indoor barn was measured at 93.4 F, with a Heat index of 110.7. There were multiple dead birds in the facility, including at least 3 adults and 3 juvenile/babies. There were at least six juvenile and baby birds located outside of their next boxes on the cage floor. These birds were showing clear signs of heat distress, such as having a low posture, extended wings, and open mouth panting. Together with the ambient temperature, this indicates that the birds are suffering from severe heat distress.

Excessive heat and/or humidity can have a significant negative impact on the welfare of the enclosed birds, including death in severe cases. The temperature and humidity of the facility must be at an appropriate level to protect the birds and prevent discomfort or distress. This includes all ages of birds, and all housing areas including nest boxes. Facility must correct the temperature no later than noon on 25 June 2024.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representative.

	MICHAEL TYGART VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER	USDA, APHIS, Animal Care	Date: 24-JUN-2024	
Received by Title:	Licensee		Date:	

24-JUN-2024



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