

Inspection Report

Section 1:

Name of applicant or current licence holder:

Name of circus:

Location of circus:

Postcode: S42 5NX

Tel no. Fax no.

Name of Inspector	Name of Accompanying Officer	Name(s) of Circus Representative
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Date and start time of inspection: Date and finish time of inspection:

Preamble to Inspector's Report*

This visit is an announced touring inspection, carried out by the nominated inspector accompanied on the visit by Animal health Officer, APHA Bakewell.

The Circus Management and staff provided all necessary details and access to areas during the inspection.

The information supplied prior to the inspection was verified and mostly found to be correct, however the list of authorised persons had been modified slightly by the substitution of 1 Category B member and three Category C members and their replacement by two replacement Category C members. Numbers of staff were still considered adequate for the duties involved.

At the time of the inspection the Circus was located at a large Farm Field site close to Chesterfield S42 5NX. The site was well grassed and drained and large enough to allow of outdoor grazing for all the hooved stock enclosed by a fence and monitored regularly. The outdoor grazing was further controlled by a temporary electric fence. The indoor (covered) accommodation for the animals was in place and was checked and consisted of a large marquee, sub divided into enclosures for Zebra, Camel & Zebu, with adjacent enclosures for Horses Goats and other non registerable animals. Accommodation for raccoons, Fox, reindeer and Macaw was distinct from this area, the reindeer being housed in their travelling wagon with direct access to an outdoor enclosed paddock of suitable size. The Fox, Raccoons and Macaw were likewise housed in their travelling wagons with direct access to outdoor enclosures with appropriate enrichment provided.

The received stock list of non-domestic animals was correct at the time of receipt.

1. The exotic animals appear in a parade round the ring immediately after the interval. This takes approximately 5 minutes in total. All animals are supervised and led on halters etc. No inter species incompatibility was noted.

1. Only one Zebra appears in the ring. The yearling Zebra is still under training but is advanced sufficiently to be handled safely.

2. One reindeer at present may appear in the performance but only in the "exotic" parade.

3. The Zebu appears in the mixed species parade. Total time about 5 minutes.

4. The camel and Llamas appear in the mixed species parade. Total time 5 minutes
5. The fox appears briefly and rides on the back of an equid around the ring, neither animal appeared troubled by the combination. Time about 2 minutes. Supervised by the operator.
6. One raccoon only appears in the performance and is led around the ring on a lead and carries out a weaving walk on an elevated platform. Approx appearance time 2 minutes.
7. The Macaw appears only at one stage presented on a suitable perch at the front of a short human performance taking place behind. No handling occurs and the bird appeared content.
8. Other acts which include domestic species (Dogs, goats, cats, doves, geese, donkeys, ponies, horses) are all quite short in time varying from 2-5 minutes. No evidence of compromise of welfare was noted and all animals appeared in good condition.
9. During the interval and prior to the formal opening of the performance rides are offered on ponies, donkeys and a horse all individually supervised by handlers. The interval lasts about 15 minutes.
10. The total performance time including interval was 1 hr 50 minutes.

In a previous report mention was made of the lameness in a shire horse "Tommy". This animal had since undergone treatment and was sound on the day. It is under regular review as the treatment may require repetition or longer term management. The animal is fit for the degree of performance as at present.

The previous report mentioned also the state of toilet provision for the public. This is provided at present by a number of commercial "portaloo" type cabins. Although not ideal, at the time of the inspection these were serviced and clean, although it should be noted that this item is not strictly within the remit of this inspection.

*This might include general background of the circus (type of animals, number of animals and information obtained from the stock list and the other required forms supplied by Inspectorate at Bristol) and any relevant information gathered prior to the inspection

Information and guidance about the Welfare of Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (England) Regulations 2012 is available at <http://www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-pets/circuses/>

Section 2: Findings at Inspection

Level of compliance should be included in report using a RAG rating - Green – full compliance/minor breach (no action required)/ Amber – breach identified (remedial action recommended) / Red – significant breach (action required).

Standards and Conditions	Comments/clarification	Level of Compliance (R/A/G)
<p>(1) Staff</p> <p>Is unsupervised access to licensed animals restricted to authorised persons?</p>	<p>The staff list indicates the practice for access to and management of, the animals. A significant number of staff have toured with this circus previously and are familiar with SOPs. Some seasonal staff have now left and been replaced a full list of current staff was provided.</p>	G
<p>(2) Healthcare</p> <p>Do all licensed animals appear to be in good health?</p>	<p>On visual examination, all animals appeared in good health, were well kept and housed in clean conditions.</p>	G
<p>(3) Environment</p> <p>Are areas used by licensed animals operated in a way that provides good welfare?</p> <p>Are areas a suitable size?</p> <p>Are areas in good condition and free from hazards?</p> <p>Are areas sufficiently secure?</p> <p>Are areas suited to the social, behavioural and environmental needs of the animals?</p> <p>Do animals have sufficient access to exercise and enrichment?</p> <p>Are areas hygienic and clean?</p> <p>Do areas have a suitable floor?</p> <p>Are environmental factors managed, including shelter from the elements?</p> <p>Is due regard had for species specific guidance?</p>	<p>Outdoor facilities: Large field for grazing animals. Yes. On the site inspected</p> <p>Enrichment for Raccoons Macaw & Fox and other facilities are satisfactory.</p> <p>Yes. current site of approx 10 acres of grassland. The circus tent, utilities and parking, take up approx 2 acres. The rest is available. Controlled access to approx 0.75-1 acre is possible by use of an electric fence, which can be relocated as required.</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes. Wagons are grouped around the animal quarters to deter outside interference.</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>Yes. Hoofed stock have access to a large grazing area controlled by a fence and monitored almost continuously.</p> <p>Yes. Grassed areas were in good condition and extensive on this site. Exercise times are clearly recorded & comply.</p> <p>Yes this is closely followed. Shelter is provided in the large marquee for grazing animals and in the wagons for the Reindeer, Fox, Raccoons and Macaw.</p> <p>Indoor areas were dry, well ventilated and clean.</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Most hoofed stock (when not grazing) are held in a large marquee sub-divided by metal meshed / reinforced barriers, When the public is allowed access, where necessary, these animals are haltered & tethered, but are allowed free in the fenced grazing during the rest of the day. No interspecies disruption was noted. Water and forage was plentiful. Grassed areas under cover were overlaid with dry straw where any deterioration /poaching was noted</p>	G
<p>(4) Diet</p> <p>Is food stored properly?</p> <p>Is food prepared properly?</p>	<p>Food storage is in a dedicated area in one of the circus wagons. Food is stored in vermin proof and water repellent barrels. Standard commercial foodstuffs appropriate for the species kept are supplied and forage of suitable quality is adequately presented. Access to fresh water is always available from on site tanks. Food for Raccoons & Fox is kept in sealed containers in their accommodation wagon. Likewise with the macaw, but fresh fruit etc is kept separately in refrigeration.</p>	G

<p>(5) Display, training and performance</p> <p>Are the precautions required by the assessment of welfare risks carried out?</p> <p>Are animals fit for the activities expected of them?</p> <p>Are only suitable areas used for display, training and performance?</p> <p>Are display, training and performance correctly staffed?</p> <p>Are items of equipment (including aids, props, costumes, decoration etc) designed, maintained and used appropriately?</p> <p>Are the animals checked after carrying out activities?</p> <p>Are there signage and announcements to inform the public?</p>	<p>The inspectors observed a typical performance. Details of performance times etc are logged on page 1 of this report Yes. Compliance in this respect was noted.</p> <p>Yes. All animals seen appeared healthy.</p> <p>Yes . Display areas for the public to view the animals in the "quarters" marquee are adequate in size, well monitored by staff and hand sterilisation materials are present with appropriate warning signage. Stand off barrier is present in this area and no direct public contact takes place. .</p> <p>Yes. Training and performance are staffed in accordance with the staff listings. Compliance with the licence conditions of this section was noted.</p> <p>Yes. All props, tack, costumes and decorations are adequate and safe where contact with the animals occurs. Most show tack is custom made to fit. Yes all are checked on completion of their performance after being returned to their quarters and any abnormalities reported for early or immediate attention.</p> <p>Yes . Announcements are made prior to the performance and repeated at the interval. Announcements with regard to the visits by the public to the animal quarters are made at the interval & end of the performance.</p> <p>There is a holding area at the rear of the ring where animals are briefly held before entering the Ring. Normally the animals are tacked up in their accommodation and brought directly into the ring. Time here is minimal. Water is freely available in enclosures, but water is not normally present in the area directly behind the entrance to the ring. It is rarely required here as waiting time is very short and the animals are returned to their quarters immediately following performance, where water is available at all times.</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(6) Breeding</p> <p>Are the health and welfare needs of animals during all stages of the breeding process met?</p> <p>Is guidance on fitness followed?</p> <p>Is suitable veterinary care provided?</p>	<p>Yes. The camel and zebu are solitary so no breeding will occur. They have been housed adjacent to the other hoofed stock regularly and no abnormal behaviour has been recorded. There does not appear to be any welfare problem or incompatibility.</p> <p>Zebra female yearling, Zulu, is now maturing and separation from the male to prevent inbreeding may be required soon if he is not gelded. She may also require separation from the adult female, Watusi, if the latter is again to foal at winter quarters. All reindeer males are neutered .</p> <p>Yes . See note later re Vet care etc.</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(7) Transport</p> <p>Check for evidence of unfit animals being transported. Can you confirm this is not the case?</p> <p>Are transport containers and any fitting (etc) suitable?</p>	<p>Yes. All animals seen were fit for transport.</p> <p>Yes. The animal wagons are purpose built and have access ramps leading to the flat bed area which has non slip flooring and appropriate swing partitions to allow separation of animals as required. All animals are trained to load quietly and are hand led on halters to their stalls.</p>	<p>G</p>

Records	Comments/clarification	Level of Compliance (R/A/G)
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<p>(1) Tour itinerary</p> <p>Confirm that the inspectorate was informed of the correct current and future location of the licensed travelling circus.</p>	<p>A written itinerary was supplied which appeared correct and included details of distance and duration of journeys. Most journeys are relatively short and take less than half a day for completion and set up. Itineraries for all the subsequent moves were not available at the time of inspection, but will be forwarded to APHA when agreed. Likely return to winter quarters soon after 31/10/2017.</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(2) List of licensed animals</p> <p>Confirm that every animal present which is covered by the licence is uniquely identified</p>	<p>YES The animals listed were present and identities confirmed where possible. The Adult Female Zebra became somewhat distressed when attempts were made to check the M/chip, but I have no reason to suppose that this animal was not as indicated on the stock list.</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(3) List of current location of licensed animals</p> <p>Confirm that the whereabouts of all animals covered by a licence</p>	<p>YES. All animals listed were present at the location..</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(4) Individual records</p> <p>Confirm that a single source of information about an animal's signalment (age, breed, sex, etc) health and welfare history, including all relevant clinical, health and behavioural data is quickly available at the present location of the animal.</p>	<p>YES. Individual records were available for inspection and information therein appeared up to date and accurate. All such paperwork was easily accessed and clear in presentation.</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(5) Care Plans</p> <p>Do Care Plans demonstrate that good welfare standards have been planned for and put into practice?</p> <p>Do they record that the welfare needs of licensed animals are being provided for? (Particular note should be taken of the daily record sheets)</p> <p>Are they reviewed regularly?</p> <p>Group Care Plans and Individual Care Plans should each include sections on:</p> <p>(a) assessment of welfare risks</p> <p>(b) behavioural and environmental enrichment</p> <p>(c) breeding</p> <p>(d) dietary requirements</p> <p>(e) preventative medicine</p> <p>(f) retirement</p> <p>(These sections may be cross referenced to avoid duplication of recording)</p>	<p>YES. Care plans were present and in use and appeared up to date and accurately recording procedures.</p> <p>YES. Behavioural activity and enrichment was provided for in the care plans and confirmed by observation at the site.</p> <p>YES. Diet sheets are constructed with appropriate content and the recommendations therein appear to be followed.</p> <p>YES if so required according to health, state of any physical cycles , or other significant factors etc.</p> <p>Yes . General welfare risks have been assessed .</p> <p>Yes behavioural and enrichment requirements appear to have been fulfilled adequately.</p> <p>Breeding plans were present but no planned breeding activity is contemplated at present. The male Zebra's daughter is now maturing and will need separation in due course to prevent in-breeding. A plan to manage any future breeding should be produced.</p> <p>Yes. Diet is adequately catered for in line with accepted practice.</p> <p>The veterinary programme including preventative medicine is present and records confirm compliance</p> <p>YES. Retirement plans are present for all registrable species..</p>	<p>G</p>

<p>(6) Daily Records</p> <p>Do the Daily Records record include all factors relevant to welfare of the licensed animals</p> <p>(a) Diet</p> <p>(b) Training, including results of checks carried out after activities</p> <p>(c) Environment</p> <p>(d) General Observations</p>	<p>YES.</p> <p>All records appear to be kept and archived as required</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>Records are clear, comprehensive, compliant and up to date.</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(7) List of authorised persons</p> <p>Confirm that only persons that have appropriate qualifications, experience or supervision are permitted to access and care for the licensed animals</p>	<p>The authorised persons list is complete and compliance throughout the period of the inspection was noted. The current list varied from that initially supplied. Some lower category staff have left and been replaced by other formerly employed category C staff. (latest list is dated 5/07/2017).</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(8) List of authorised persons on duty</p> <p>Confirm that someone is in overall charge of the animals at all times.</p> <p>Do circus staff know who is currently on duty and how to contact them urgently?</p>	<p>YES.</p> <p>Arrangements are in place and as far as I am aware are working satisfactorily.</p> <p>YES.</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(9) Journey plans</p> <p>Confirm that sufficient planning is being done before embarking on a journey.</p> <p>Are plans updated with important details about the actual journey afterwards?</p> <p>Is a contingency plan in place for each journey?</p> <p>Does a suitable person travel with the animal?</p>	<p>Journey plans and records of subsequent journeys were present and appeared complete.</p> <p>Contingency planning has taken place and is documented and staff are aware of procedures..</p> <p>Animal Wagons are driven only by Category "A+/A" staff, who are assisted /accompanied by at least 1(Usually 2) category A or B staff.</p> <p>The circus normally travels in one group i.e. in "convoy", which should add another level of safety for contingency action</p>	<p>G</p>
<p>(10) Veterinary Care</p> <p>Are the lead vet and the circus in good communication?</p> <p>Is the lead vet providing continuity of care, veterinary oversight and advice on Care Plans?</p> <p>Are routine quarterly visits carried out by veterinary surgeons?</p> <p>Does the lead vet attend at least two of the inspections (of which one of which must be at a tour site and one at winter quarters)?</p> <p>Are general healthcare and treatments properly administered?</p>	<p>YES. At the time of this inspection, Veterinary visits had taken place as required and the number carried out by the Lead Vet was in compliance.</p> <p>Lead vet: 30 /3/17</p> <p>Other Vets: At Quorn -Equipalazone for Tommy 1/06/2017 [REDACTED] 8/6/2017 .</p> <p>YES. Visits are followed by a written report with any relevant recommendations and are filed accordingly.</p> <p>YES. but next visit due soon..</p> <p>YES one visit completed the other will be later in the programme .</p> <p>Routine anthelmintic treatment has taken place. The veterinary activities are recorded on the animal's record sheets and confirmed by veterinary correspondence.</p> <p>YES. As far as I am aware</p>	<p>G</p>

THE FOLLOWING SPACE IS PROVIDED FOR:

- **ADDITIONAL NOTES AND COMMENTS ON THE ANSWERS TO THE EARLIER QUESTIONS**
- **ANY GENERAL REMARKS WHICH THE INSPECTOR MAY WISH TO RECORD**

The management and staff have made a considerable effort to fully comply with the current requirements and are receptive to constructive advice to ensure ongoing compliance. The records are clear and are in a standard format in use by the Circus Association to which they belong.

Records appear up to date, clearly completed and safely stored. General management and staff competence appears good.

Items for attention:

1. It is advised that regular (6 monthly or seasonal) staff re-appraisals are carried out particularly if staff changes are made, either formally or informally and that a record of such assessment be kept.
2. It should be ensured that where any hoofed stock which may require T.B. Testing undergoes such testing this complies with the statutory requirements at the appropriate intervals and is recorded in the animal records.
3. The quarterly veterinary visit is now imminent and should be completed on time.
4. Training should continue so that all the animals become familiar with basic handling such that microchips may be read for I.D., without causing unnecessary stress to the animals. Regular practice routines for this if included with other training may help to ensure this.
5. The adult female Zebra "Watusi" is believed to possibly be in foal again and if so may foal late Winter or Spring 2018. The maturing female Zulu will in due course commence cycling and will need separation from her sire, the male Zumba, to prevent in-breeding. There is at present no agreed written policy for the management of these situations and the requirement for extension of winter accommodation should the potential number of additions be kept. The operator has confirmed verbally that he has a policy in mind, but this should be crystallised and the final policy advised to the licensing authority.

Section 3: Inspectors Recommendation to Defra

Having inspected (name of circus)

Jolly's Circus

operated by (name of operator).

Peter Jolly Snr

on: 21/09/2017

Summarise the potential impact of the issues found on the welfare of the wild animals in this travelling circus, noting the involvement of any other authority.

Current compliance is satisfactory. Record keeping appears accurate and complete. No animal welfare problems are noted at present. The welfare of the ageing animals is closely monitored and ongoing Veterinary care appears prompt and to a high standard.

Under "Recommendation" below, it is not possible to strike out worded areas in the electronic format, so the recommendation " THAT THE CIRCUS CONTINUE TO BE LICENSED " is made in this section.

{This text will be transferred to the letter sent to the circus after the inspection}

Recommendation:

- Licence awarded / Continue to be licensed
- Documentary evidence to demonstrate improvements to be provided
- Early visit recommended to confirm that action taken
- Licence refused / suspended

(Please delete as necessary)

Signed:

[Redacted Signature]

Dated:

21/09/2017

Section 4: Decision

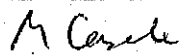
The Circus Licensing Panel, on behalf of the Secretary of State, makes the following decision:

- ~~It is recommended that a licence be refused/suspended~~
- It is recommended that the above circus be licensed in accordance with the Regulations

(delete as necessary)

Explanatory note if decision is different from recommendation

Signed:



Dated:

02/10/17

The Inspector should complete sections 1-3 and submit the signed form to the Wildlife Licensing and Registration Team, who will keep one copy and pass one to DEFRA. DEFRA will return a copy of the form with section 4 completed to WLRT.

The Data Protection Act 1998

Information supplied on this form will be used by Defra to monitor the implementation of the Welfare of Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (England) Regulations. The information will be held on a central database at Defra and will be used to issue relevant guidance and information to travelling circuses. The information will also be used as a resource to develop relevant training and guidance for the Secretary of State's Circus Inspectors and to field circus related questions and issues addressed from time to time by Non Governmental Organisations, members of the public, Members of Parliament, Government Ministers, other Government Departments. Defra may be required to release information, including personal data and commercial information, on request under the Environmental Information Regulation, the Code of practice on Access to Government Information or the Freedom of Information Act 2000. However, Defra will not permit any unwarranted breach of confidentiality nor will we act in contravention of our obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998.



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Date: 2 October 2017

Dear Mr Jolly

Routine inspection under the Welfare of Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (England) Regulations 2012

As you know, an announced inspection of your travelling circus took place on 21 September 2017 under the Welfare of Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (England) Regulations 2012 (the Regulations).

Decision of the Circus Licensing Panel

In summary, the inspector found that your Circus was complying with the circus licensing conditions and no welfare problems with your animals were identified during the inspection.

As before, a copy of the inspection report is now attached for your information. You are reminded that, where an inspection report's use in deciding the status of a licence has been concluded, it is our usual policy to release inspection reports in response to any Freedom of Information request.

The inspector's findings have been considered by a panel of officials on behalf of the Secretary of State, who were satisfied that at the time of the visit the conditions of the Regulations appeared to be being complied with and who have recommended that your current licence is allowed to continue.

While the inspector was satisfied that all of the licence conditions are being met by your circus, there were some additional points raised that the Panel ask you to address:

- **Zebra 'Watusi' – Microchip:** the Panel noted that the microchip of 'Watusi' had not been read as the animal became distressed while waiting. You are reminded that on-going training should ensure all your animals are familiar with the handling process for microchip reading during inspections. The Panel expects 'Watusi's' microchip to be

read at your next inspection. We suggest that the zebra should have its microchip read first at the next inspection to avoid any distress that may be caused by waiting.

- *Zebra 'Watusi' – pregnancy:* the Panel noted the inspector's comments that the female Zebra 'Watusi' might again be in foal and may 'foal' over the winter or in early spring 2018. The Panel agreed to remind you that, should this be the case and as you have done when 'Watusi' was previously in foal, you will need to develop, in agreement with your lead vet, contingency plans to deal with this situation. In particular you will need to ensure your Assessment of Welfare Risks plan (page 70 of the guidance to the Regulations refers) covers any pregnancy. Also, in line with the guidance to the Regulations (page 73) you will need to ensure you have an agreed breeding plan specifically to set out what steps will be taken to ensure the welfare of 'Watusi' during her pregnancy and the perinatal period, including the provision of veterinary care and any necessary separation from the other Zebras both during and after the pregnancy. Your plans should include a clear date (in line with page 30 of the guidance to the Regulation on fitness of animals) when you expect the Zebra 'Watusi' to stop performing and touring with your circus.

For after the birth, you will also need to provide Defra with a signed letter from your lead vet declaring that both the Zebra 'Watusi' and the foal are fit to be returned to your travelling circus, if that is your intention. If you intend to keep the foal with your circus you will also need to ensure winter quarters and travelling accommodation is suitable for an additional zebra, and all the required paperwork is up to date. Alternatively, if you plan to re-home any foal we would also expect to see a re-homing plan in place for such an eventuality.

- *Zebras – Zumba and Zulu.* The Panel agreed with the inspector that, now the younger female Zebra 'Zulu' is maturing you should have a written policy in place (as part of your breeding plans) to prevent any in-breeding with her sire 'Zumba'.

Further Inspections

This inspection completes the schedule of inspections planned for your circus for your current licence. However, I would remind you that the Secretary of State retains the power to undertake further announced or unannounced inspections during the remaining period of your licence. Additional inspections may also be required in response to changes in your stock list, any complaints received or concerns raised about the wild animals in your circus.

You will usually be charged for the costs of any further inspection visits, once they have taken place.

Licence Renewal

Your current licence is due to expire on 19 March 2018. If you wish to continue touring England with wild animals after 19 March we would advise you to renew your licence in good time, ideally before the start of your next touring season. As with your original application it could take up to 6 weeks to issue a renewal, assuming that the paperwork is

in order and a visit can be arranged. A fee of £389.36 must still be paid when applying for a renewal.

M. Casale

(Issued on behalf of the Secretary of State)