

March, 25th of 2004: decree on the norms and regulations relative to zoo presenting living wild animals to the public in fixed and permanent facilities.

- Properly trained and numerous employees (art3)
- The biological needs of the animals must be respected as well as their health and the possibility for them to have natural behaviors regarding the facilities and the enclosure (art10)
- The facilities and enclosure must be constantly evaluated in order to better answer to the biological needs of the animals (art12)
- The cares that are provided to the animals must be provided in ways that avoid causing stress, injuries or discomfort. Any unnecessary intervention must be avoided. (art15)
- All animals must be observed on daily basis in order to detect any behavioral anomaly. The causes of those anomalies must be searched for and detected and must be corrected. (art16)
- Reproductive activity can be undertaken only if the conditions in which the newborn animals will be bred, respect the regulation concerning the environment (art 18)
- The facilities and enclosure must be adapted to the needs and natural behaviors of the animals, they must be secured and allow the animals to express their natural abilities. The facilities must permit them to avoid violent relationship with their peers by letting them adopt a defensive attitude or letting them flee. (art 27)
- The facilities and enclosure must be secured in order to protect the public from the animals but also the animals from the public. (art28-32)
- Zoos must have a veterinary and prevent the apparition of diseases and zoonosis
- On every dead animal an autopsy must be performed and the corpses must be quickly taken away from the other animals and destroyed according to the legislation.(art45-47)
- Facilities and enclosure must be kept clean according to a cleaning program established by the zoo (art48-50)
- The zoo must educate and raise awareness about the conservation of biodiversity, species, and natural behaviors. They have to give the public several information about the animals: scientific name, geographical repartition, diet, protection status... (chap7)
- Zoos must be administrated in an ecological way: waste management, wastewater treatments...

August 25th 1981: decree on the norms and regulations relative to facilities presenting living cetaceans

- Facilities and enclosure must be built according to the biological needs of the cetaceans

- Facilities must have an area of 800 square meter and a depth of minimum 1,5 X the average length of the specie.
- The water in the facilities must be clean: the water must be sampled and analyzed every month.
- Cetaceans must be fed at least once a day
 - Cetaceans must be observed every day. Every problem relative to their health must be solved