



Education or Foster Animal Live Wildlife Retention Application

This form must be used to request permanent possession of all non-releasable wildlife for education or foster animal purposes. This application is available to **LICENSED WASHINGTON WILDLIFE REHABILITATORS ONLY**. All others requesting wildlife collection and possession must use the Scientific Collections Permit Application at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/scpl/>.

- All non-releasable education and foster animals must be included on your *Wildlife Rehabilitation Annual Report Form* due by January 31 of every year.
- Your veterinarian must sign this application certifying non-releasability.
- **PLEASE INCLUDE PHOTOGRAPHS** of the Education or Foster animal(s) enclosure.
- You may apply for more than one animal with this form.

1. *This animal(s) is to be used for*

- Static Display Program Animal Both Foster

2. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Name of Applicant:		Phone #:	Email:
Name of Facility:			
Facility Address:		City:	Zip Code:
Facility Mailing Address:		City:	Zip Code:
WDFW Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit #:			
3. COLLECTION INFORMATION			
Species and Case #	Initial Illness or Injury	Reason for Non-releasability	Admission date
4. If this is a TRANSFER please complete the following:			
Name of person transferring the animal:		Phone #:	Email:
Name of Facility or Organization:			
Facility Address:		City:	Zip Code:
Facility Mailing Address:		City:	Zip Code:
State:			
Reason for transfer:			

5. HOUSING ENCLOSURES
1. Dimensions Width x Length x Height
Construction Materials
2. Dimensions Width x Length x Height
Construction Materials
3. Dimensions Width x Length x Height
Construction Materials
INCLUDE PHOTOGRAPHS of the enclosure(s)

I, (please print name) _____ agree to abide by all of the conditions outlined in **WAC 220-450-170 Wildlife rehabilitation—Disposition of nonreleasable and over-habituated, mal-imprinted, or tamed wildlife and live retention for foster and education**, and review the following:

Buhl, Schlieps, and Smith, Eds., 2018. Wildlife in Education: A Guide for the Care and Use of Program Animals. Available from the NWRRA at <https://www.nwrwildlife.org/store/>.

All animals should be monitored regularly for stress and pain. A source of pain generally is easy to identify if it is a physical abnormality, but **stress or distress might not be due to pain and is not immediately recognizable**. IACUCs (institutional animal care and use committees) generally consider that procedures that cause pain or distress in humans likely also will cause pain or distress in other animals.

Distress is also indicated if the animal remains agitated, cowers, or hides for periods of time. Birds and mammals can experience stress if unable to perform normal functions, such as fly to a high perch, or climb when this is a normal behavior.

The following species may not be used for any education including both static display and programs: cervids, large carnivores, and amphibians.

The following species may not be used in education programs: All rodents (except eastern gray squirrels), moles and shrews, weasels, skunks, raccoons, coyotes, foxes, beavers, muskrats, pikas, hares, rabbits, Apodidae, Trochilidae, Picidae, Passerines (except American crow, Northwestern crow, and common ravens), loons, grebes, seabirds, herons, bitterns, storks, and ibis.

Your signature below certifies that you have read the above referenced WAC and reviewed the above statements.

Signature of Applicant

Date of Application

An **Annual Report** must be submitted before January 31 of every year.

Veterinarian’s certification

I certify that all animals listed on this form are non-releaseable to the wild. I also certify to the best of my ability that the condition or injuries experienced by this animal (these animals) do not typically cause suffering with chronic pain.

Signature of Veterinarian

Date

Please send this application to:

Patricia Thompson, Wildlife Rehabilitation Manager
Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
16018 Mill Creek Blvd.
Mill Creek, WA 98012

Or scan and email to:
patricia.thompson@dfw.wa.gov