

Apprentice Wildlife Rehabilitator Application

Thank you for your interest in wildlife rehabilitation. There are many different ways to help wildlife. This application helps us identify ways you might be able to be involved. For example, you may have adequate time and a flexible schedule to be involved with direct rehabilitation. Or, your family or job commitments might restrict daily involvement but could allow you to be involved with special projects, phone hotlines, transport, or other activities.

Please send or fax the completed application to the address on the next page. We will first contact you to arrange a short interview and discuss apprenticeship and training programs. We will contact you later to suggest possible involvement options. Again, thank you for your interest.

Name:

Address:

County:

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

Are you over 18 yrs of age:

Please describe your interest in becoming a wildlife rehabilitator:

Please describe education, including training related to wildlife or rehabilitation activities:

Please describe your experience in working with wildlife and other animals, as well previous experience rehabilitating wildlife and licenses, if applicable:

What type(s) of wildlife are you interested in rehabilitating?

Please describe your time availability and what you can dedicate for wildlife rehabilitation related activities (e.g., phone calls from public, feeding, cage work)?

Which days?

Hrs per day?

Wildlife rehabilitation takes considerable commitment. Please describe the general types of commitments that you are already involved with on a daily, weekly, and seasonal basis (family, sports activities, pets, hobbies, personal business, professional groups, etc.).

By its nature, rehabilitating wildlife can expose people to stresses, parasites, bacteria, zoonoses, injuries (scratches on cages, etc.), and more. How do you feel about this for you and others at your household?

When was your last tetanus injection?
Have you had pre- or post-exposure rabies vaccines?

Do you have or have access to dependable transport at all times (relevant for such things as transferring wild animals, taking them to the veterinarian, etc.)? Please describe.

Please describe where and how you would keep wildlife separate from humans, domestic pets, other captive animals (exotics, livestock, etc.), both indoors and outdoors.

Please describe your feelings about the euthanasia of wildlife.

Unfortunately, wildlife rehabilitation activities (supplies, cages, food, veterinary bills, books, etc.) can be expensive and are not funded by the government or your sponsor. Depending on the species rehabilitated, number of animals, and other considerations, start-up activities for home-based wildlife rehabilitation facilities could easily run \$500+, and then annual costs ranging from \$500-2000. Rehabilitators usually fund this themselves or ask for donations. Could you develop access to financial resources or donations to fund your rehabilitation activities?

Please return the application to: