

WCB VET VISIT

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS TO ASK WILDLIFE

RESCUES/REHABBERS (WHEN VISITING A PREMISES)

Management Of Waste

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you/explain how they dispose of waste, to include clinical waste (medications), biohazard waste (bodies), sharps (needles etc).

Separate Accommodation For Wildlife

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you where they keep all their wildlife casualties: to include different styles of enclosure to ensure that the needs of species can be met, distance from humans/pets, ability to ensure reduced stress from household noises/smells, monitoring equipment such as cameras etc.

Keeping Prey & Predator Apart

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you where they keep species who have predator/prey relationships to ensure stress for both is kept to a minimum: **TOTALLY SEPARATE SPACES SO AS NOT TO BE ABLE TO SEE/HEAR/SCENT OR EVEN BE AWARE OF EACH OTHER.**

Adequate Evidence Of Disinfection & Tidiness

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you the disinfectant brands used to ensure it is of adequate strength and suitability for the species kept.

Evidence Of Biosecurity Between The Handling Of Different Animals

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you/explain how they keep biosecurity between species/individuals, such as presence of gloves, hand washing station etc.

Evidence Of Daily Hospital Sheets Filled In With Weights, Observations & Other Relevant Info

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you where they store/display hospital sheets for each individual. In cases of a multiple carer situation ensure these are displayed obviously to ensure each new care-giver is aware of ongoing care etc.

Proof Of Adequate Protection From Predators, Especially If Outside (ie. Rats & Foxes Cannot Get Into Outside Hutches & Aviaries)

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you how the enclosures - especially those outside - have been made predator proof, especially from predator animals like Rats or Foxes.

Proof Of Wildlife Casualties Being Kept Away Completely From Pets

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you their premises set up or procedures to ensure that household pets are not able to access the rooms with wildlife casualties in and are not able to approach or cause stress to any wildlife casualties housed outside either.

Proof Of Isolation Facilities If Keeping Species With Suspected Infectious Diseases

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you/explain how they would alter their facilities set up to provide adequate isolation for infectious species to include adequate ventilation for airborne diseases, separate equipment, separate waste etc.

Correct Storage Of Medications

Ask the Rescue/Rehabber to show you how and where they store medications on site (if applicable) to ensure they are being stored correctly.