

# Intake Waiver

## IMPORTANT—PLEASE READ

Bats are a rabies vector species. Rabies is an infectious viral disease that affects the nervous system of humans and other mammals. People get rabies from the bite of a rabid animal. Any wild mammal, like a raccoon, skunk, fox, coyote, or bat, can be infected with rabies and transmit it to people. It is also possible, but quite rare, for people to possibly be exposed to rabies if infectious material from a rabid animal, such as saliva, gets directly into their eyes, nose, mouth or a wound. People cannot get rabies from having contact with bat guano (feces), blood, or urine, or from touching a bat on its fur, although bats should never be handled. You should contact your local health department if you have been bitten by a bat, or if infectious material such as saliva from a bat has gotten into your eyes, nose, mouth, or a wound, or if the bat has been found in a room with a person who cannot reliably rule out contact, such as a sleeping person, a child, a mentally disabled person, or an intoxicated person\*. If, to the best of your knowledge, no one has been bitten or had direct contact with this bat, please initial the statement below:

\_\_\_\_\_ **I have read the above information about bats and rabies. By initialing this statement, I verify that I am at least 18 years of age, and to the best of my knowledge, no one has been bitten or had direct contact with this bat.**

Please describe the circumstances under which this bat was found:

Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date found: \_\_\_\_\_

Location found: (address, city) \_\_\_\_\_

Time of day: \_\_\_\_\_ Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find the bat? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you feed the bat? If so, what? \_\_\_\_\_

How can we contact you if necessary?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, state, zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Rehabilitator Use Only:

Species: \_\_\_\_\_ Age (pup, juvenile, adult): \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Notes on condition: \_\_\_\_\_

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