



Animal Welfare Concern Form

Thank you for taking the time to submit a concern to the Oregon Zoo's Animal Welfare Committee (AWC). The Oregon Zoo has a firm commitment to ensure that animal welfare is our highest priority. The purpose of the AWC is to support our vision of "Creating a Better Future for Wildlife" and to support our strategic mandate of "Making Animal Welfare a Guiding Principle for our institution".

Please note that Metro/Oregon Zoo has a strict policy regarding retaliation; **in no way will you be retaliated against for submitting a concern.**

We ask that you fill out the entire form, leaving only optional information blank if desired, to ensure we have enough information to initiate the Animal Welfare Concern Process. Once completed, the form can be submitted and it is sent to AWC team email or it can be printed and dropped off in the AWC mailbox at the LC Administration building. Concerns may be submitted anonymously (print option only), although this limits the AWC's ability to communicate findings to concerned parties.

Instructions: Section A is optional, though strongly encouraged. All other sections must be filled out in its entirety.

A. Optional Information:

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Department: _____ Email: _____
Date _____

B. Urgency Criteria:

Is there evidence an existing condition is causing animal(s) pain, suffering, or chronic disease without appropriate medical care?

Yes _____ No _____

Is there evidence an existing condition is preventing animal(s) from direct access to nutritious food, fresh water or appropriate medical care?

Yes _____ No _____

Has a course of action been approved that, based on previous research or experience, will result in either of the previous criteria or present an imminent escape hazard for animal(s)?

Yes _____ No _____

Is the concern related to an approved animal care protocol?

Yes _____ No _____ Unknown _____

If you marked yes to any of the above, your concern may be categorized as urgent at the onset of the review process. Please submit your concern by sending the form via email to your direct supervisor and/or any member of the AWC. You may also submit a hard copy of this form anonymously in the mailbox marked "Animal Welfare Committee" at the LC Administration building.

If an animal is in a life-threatening situation, please immediately contact your supervisor or a veterinarian.

C. General Information:

Exhibit Location: _____

Type of Concern: Individual Animal Multiple Animals

Number of Species: Single Species Multiple Species

Please list species:

Has the concern already been brought to the attention of a supervisor/manager? Yes No

If yes, who was the concern reported to and what was the outcome (optional)?

If no, why?

D. Descriptive Information:

What is the situation/condition resulting in an animal welfare concern?

Please describe any evidence you have to support your concern (e.g. behavior, injury, disease, etc.)?

Please describe any suggestions/solutions you have to improve the welfare of the animal(s) and why you believe they would be effective (cite supporting information if possible).

Describe the outcomes of any previous attempts that have been made to resolve this concern.

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For more information about this process, please go to Zoogle under the Policies tab and click “Reporting Animal Welfare Concerns”. Thank you!