

County: _____



*Rescuing, Rehabilitating, Releasing
Native Wildlife Since 1979*

Release Site Application

Full Name: _____

Primary Phone: (____) _____ Secondary Phone: (____) _____

Release Site Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

- A release **may** be conducted on my property in my absence.
- My property **can** be accessed without entering through a locked gate.

Mailing Address (if different than above): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Information About Your Property

Total acreage: _____ Acres wooded: _____ # of brush piles: _____

River frontage? Y N Approximate total length of riverbank: _____

of year-round creeks: _____ # of wet-weather creeks: _____

of ponds/lakes: _____ Approximate total acreage of ponds/lakes: _____

Acres farmed: _____ Farm animals? Y N If yes, what species? _____

Hunting/trapping allowed? Y N If yes, what species? _____

Any free-roaming pets? Y N If yes, what species? _____

Description of adjoining properties (if applicable): _____

Please check all species for which you permit release on your property.

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| Eastern Grey Squirrel | <input type="checkbox"/> | Fox Squirrel | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Southern Flying Squirrel | <input type="checkbox"/> | Eastern Chipmunk | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Groundhog | <input type="checkbox"/> | Striped Skunk | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cottontail Rabbit | <input type="checkbox"/> | Virginia Opossum | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mallard Duck | <input type="checkbox"/> | Canada Goose | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Snapping Turtle | <input type="checkbox"/> | Red-Eared Slider Turtle | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Red Fox | <input type="checkbox"/> | Coyote | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Bats | <input type="checkbox"/> | Raccoon | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Do you provide any supplemental feeding to wildlife or other animals on your property? If so, please explain: _____

Any additional information you would like to provide: _____

I have read and understand the supplemental information provided about the Wildlife Rescue Center Release Site Program.

By signing below, I verify that all information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please submit your completed application, a map, and directions to the release site:

By e-mail:

animalcare@mowildlife.org

By mail:

Wildlife Rescue Center
1128 New Ballwin Road
Ballwin, MO 63021

Or by fax:

(636) 394-8143

Thank you for your interest in and support of the mission of the Wildlife Rescue Center!

(For WRC office use only)

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Approved Not Approved Date: _____

Important Information About the Wildlife Rescue Center Release Site Program

Wildlife Rescue Center Mission Statement: “The Wildlife Rescue Center rehabilitates injured, sick, and orphaned native wildlife and releases healthy animals to their natural habitat. Through educational outreach, the Center provides environmental awareness, promotes a harmonious relationship with native wildlife, and encourages the community to protect our delicate ecosystems.”

Wildlife rehabilitation is defined by the National Wildlife Rehabilitators Association (NWRA) as the treatment and temporary care of injured, diseased, and displaced indigenous wildlife and the subsequent return of healthy animals to appropriate habitats in the wild. Successful rehabilitation results in the release of wild animals that are able to recognize and obtain the appropriate foods, select mates of their own species and reproduce, and show the appropriate fear of potential dangers (humans, cars, dogs, etc.). All wildlife released will be medically sound and accustomed to natural foods, and their survival potential will have been deemed adequate by wildlife professionals. **These animals are not to be regarded as pets and should not be handled or fed by humans.** Please respect this element as a requirement for successful reintroduction to life in the wild.

There are some instances in which rehabilitated animals are released with temporary housing (e.g., squirrel nesting boxes). Our hope is that within a short period of time (up to two months, depending on the season), animals will disperse and develop new territories and nest/den sites. Temporary housing can be removed from the property if it is no longer in use.

The Wildlife Rescue Center Release Site Program has been instituted in an effort to locate prime sites for the release of the Center’s patients. If you have any questions or concerns about your local wildlife, please contact the Wildlife Rescue Center at (636) 394-1880 or visit www.mowildlife.org.

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