



# College of Veterinary Medicine Policies and Procedures

Subject: *Community Veterinary Services*

Section: *AHC Community Veterinary Services*

Number: *CVM 6.6.01*

Pages: *1*

Date: *2012*

Replaces Policy Dated: *1995*

To Be Reviewed Yearly by: *AHC Director and Service Chief-Community Veterinary Services*

Source:

Cross Reference:

## Community Veterinary Services

*The purpose of Community Veterinary Services is to provide a teaching environment for primary care/first opinion cases which closely simulates a high quality private veterinary practice. Emphasis will be placed on preventative medicine. Diagnostic care for patients will be provided as well.*

1. Primary care services are available to small animal companion species.
2. Boarding services are available to the enrolled patient on an appointment basis.
3. Cases are seen by appointment, Monday through Friday.
4. Although attending clinicians are ultimately responsible for the patient's health, the student is expected to take advantage of the opportunity to participate in the delivery of high quality medicine and client communication while managing a fast pace, high volume case load.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Gary J. Burt, Director  
Animal Health Center  
College of Veterinary Medicine

9-27-12

Date

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Kent Hoblet, Dean  
College of Veterinary Medicine

9/19/12

Date



# College of Veterinary Medicine Policies and Procedures

Subject: ***Boarding Animals During an  
Emergency***

Section: *AHC Community Veterinary Services*

Number: *CVM 6.6.02*

Pages: *2*

Date: *2012*

Replaces Policy Dated: *2008*

To Be Reviewed Yearly by: *AHC Director and Service  
Chief-Community Veterinary Services*

Source:

Cross Reference:

## **Boarding Animals During an Emergency**

During a large-scale emergency involving state-wide evacuations and in which a state of emergency has been declared, the MSU-CVM is **dedicated to the support of sick and injured animals**. Therefore, in order to maintain this support of sick and injured animals, healthy animals will NOT be accepted for boarding. We will assist the public in finding boarding for their pets or by providing information on where to locate pet friendly shelters and hotels.

During unexpected or short-term emergencies, people may show up at the Wise Center with their pets for refuge. In these circumstances, LARAC personnel, MART personnel, and a designated CVM shelter coordinator will be in charge of activities.

- Persons should be informed regarding which Wise Center entrance to use. Generally this will be the large animal corridor on the east end of the building by the admissions desk.
- As needed, cages will be placed in the large animal corridor on the east end of the building to house the animals. All animals must be contained or leashed and may not be allowed to roam freely throughout the area.
- Any persons arriving to the CVM with pets for refuge must sign-in with the designated coordinator.
- Animals presented for boarding must be free of contagious disease and current on vaccinations against preventable diseases. These vaccination requirements will be consistent with primary care best practices.
- All pets should have some form of identification (permanent identification preferred). All animals will be provided with a cage card and/or identification band.
- Owners must agree to provide care for their pets, including provision of food and water as necessary and cleaning up waste.
- If the need for further human shelter is warranted (such as a tornado), animals may not accompany their owners into the designated human shelter area. Persons unwilling to leave their pets are encouraged to seek shelter in inner rooms or empty stalls away from windows.
- Public pet owners may not enter into the hospital areas including the operator's desk, cafeteria foyer, and restrooms.

Boarding policies following local, isolated emergencies such as tornadoes, fires, floods, etc., will be dealt with on an individual basis depending on amount of animals injured or displaced.

Approved: Gary J. Burt 8/27/12  
Gary J. Burt, Director  
Animal Health Center  
College of Veterinary Medicine  
Date

Approved: Kent H. Hoblet 9/19/12  
Kent Hoblet, Dean  
College of Veterinary Medicine  
Date



# College of Veterinary Medicine

## Policies and Procedures

Subject: ***Treatment of Wildlife and Exotics***

Section: *AHC Community Veterinary Services*  
Number: *CVM 6.6.03*  
Pages: *2*  
Date: *2012*  
Replaces Policy Dated: *2009*  
To Be Reviewed Yearly by: *AHC Director and Service Chief-Community Veterinary Services*  
Source:  
Cross Reference:

### **Treatment of Wildlife and Exotics**

#### **During Business Hours:**

If a person calls regarding wildlife during business hours, the admissions staff may give the caller the number and website for Mississippi Wildlife Rehabilitation Inc.; (662) 429-5105 or [www.mswildliferehab.org](http://www.mswildliferehab.org).

If a person brings in orphaned, non-injured animals during business hours:

1. The admissions staff may give the visitor the number and website for Mississippi Wildlife Rehabilitation Inc.; (662) 429-5105 or [www.mswildliferehab.org](http://www.mswildliferehab.org).
2. The admissions staff may give the visitor and MS Wildlife Rehabilitation brochure.

If a person brings in injured wildlife during business hours:

1. The student/clinician will be contacted and the animal will be examined.
2. The person bringing in the wildlife will fill out a Good Sam/Wildlife Admittance form.
3. If the animal cannot be treated, it will be euthanized.
4. If the animal can be treated and returned to normal function necessary for life in the wild, it will be treated and released to Mississippi Wildlife Rehabilitation Inc. [(662) 429-5105 or [www.mswildliferehab.org](http://www.mswildliferehab.org)] or other LICENSED rehabilitator for further care and release.

#### **During Non-business Hours:**

If a person calls regarding an orphaned, non-injured animal during **non-business hours**:

1. The student may give the caller the contact information to the Mississippi Wildlife Rehabilitation Inc.; (662) 429-5105 or [www.mswildliferehab.org](http://www.mswildliferehab.org).
2. A clinician does not need to be called.

If a person calls regarding injured wildlife during **non-business hours**:

1. The person can bring the animal to the AHC for euthanasia.
2. The student may give the caller the contact information to the Mississippi Wildlife Rehabilitation Inc.: (662) 429-5105 or [www.mswildliferehab.org](http://www.mswildliferehab.org).

If a person brings in orphaned, non-injured animals during **non-business hours**:

1. The person will be given the contact information to the Mississippi Wildlife Rehabilitation Inc. [(662) 429-5105 or [www.mswildliferehab.org](http://www.mswildliferehab.org)] and/or the emergency student will call the organization for assistance in locating the nearest licensed rehabilitator.
2. The person will be given a brochure on orphaned wildlife.
3. If the person cannot or will not accept the information provided, MSU-CVM will take the animal.
4. The animal will be euthanized.

If a person brings in injured wildlife during **non-business hours** the animal will be euthanized.

Exceptions: Bald eagles, Golden eagles or any endangered/threatened species. These can be transported to Auburn University Raptor Rehabilitation or other appropriate licensed rehabilitator.

### Exotics

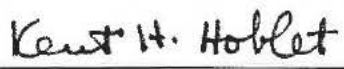
During Business Hours:

1. CVS Clinicians will see exotic animals for wellness visits and minor illnesses and provide care to their individual clinical comfort level.
2. If an exotic animal requires care and expertise above what MSU-CVM is capable of handling, the animal will be referred to:

**Dr. John Morris**  
Saltillo Small Animal Hospital  
106 Flynt Drive  
Saltillo, MS  
Phone: (662) 869-7301

**Dr. Tom Ricks**  
Town & Country Animal Hospital  
6384 Highway 98 West  
Hattiesburg, MS  
Phone: (601) 261-3839  
Fax: (601) 450-3839  
Email [tomricks@tomricksdvm.net](mailto:tomricks@tomricksdvm.net)

Approved:  8-27-12  
Gary J. Burt, Director  
Animal Health Center  
College of Veterinary Medicine  
Date

Approved:  9/19/12  
Kent Hoblet, Dean  
College of Veterinary Medicine  
Date