

AVIAN CONSERVATION CENTER

THE AVIAN MEDICAL CLINIC



TRANSPORT VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT

I, _____, as an authorized Transport Volunteer for the Avian Medical Clinic at the Avian Conservation Center agree to adhere to the following standards (please initial each item):

___ I will be mindful of my role to support the welfare of the individual bird that I am entrusted to transport as well as the mission and philosophy of the Center.

___ I understand that the bird I am transporting is facing potentially life-threatening conditions and that stress of any kind can significantly reduce its chances of survival.

___ All birds that I transport will be placed in an appropriate container (i.e. cardboard box with a towel in the bottom) and the carrier box will be **adequately covered at all times**.

___ **I will not allow anyone to open or uncover the box once the bird is inside.** I understand that this action imposes undo stress on the bird and creates a dangerous opportunity for escape or further injury.

___ **I will keep and transport the bird in a dark, quiet, temperature controlled environment.** While driving I will refrain from unnecessary conversation and playing the radio or music. If required to hold a bird for an extended period of time (e.g. overnight) it will be placed in a quiet, dark, warm area where it will not be disturbed.

___ **Every bird transported will be accompanied with appropriately completed Admission & Resolution form** (green). I understand that the forms are available for pick up from the Center at any time and that it is my responsibility to keep an adequate supply on hand. If I am relaying a bird to or from another transporter, I will ensure that any Admission form information is completed before accepting or transferring the bird for delivery to the Center.

___ **I will carry my Authorization letter with me while transporting and will provide appropriate literature about the Center's mission (e.g. rack cards) to any members of the public with whom I interact.** I know that I can also pick these up from the Center when I need more. I will conduct myself in a professional and courteous manner while representing the Center as a transporter.

___ I will not offer any prognosis or conjecture about the medical resolution to the Presenter any other member of the public. They will be contacted by the Center when appropriate and informed of the bird's status at that time.

___ I will remember that my first priority is the health and safety of the bird that I am transporting.

___ **I will abide by the Center's SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY at all times when/if posting something in regards to the injured bird or transport.**

Signed

Date