

# Temporary holding of wildlife before and/or after transport

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Transport of Live Specimens

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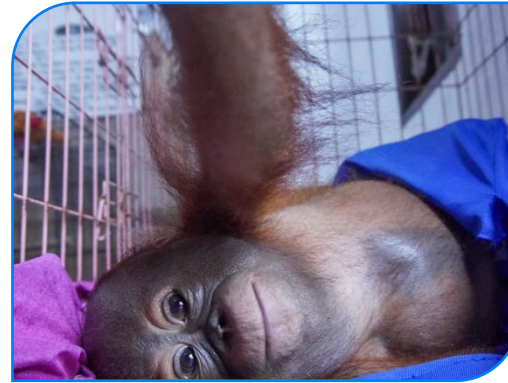
# Temporary holding



Operator and  
public safety



Biosafety risk  
containment



Animal survival  
and welfare



Evidence  
integrity

Priorities

# Key considerations

- **Correct environmental parameters**
- **Adequate provision of food and water**
- **Appropriate containment**





# Environmental Parameters

- **Temperature:**
  - Mammals and birds 18-30°C
  - Reptiles 24-30°C
- **Lighting**
  - Dim lighting can reduce stress
  - Many diurnal birds will not feed if too dark
- **Humidity**



# Food and Water

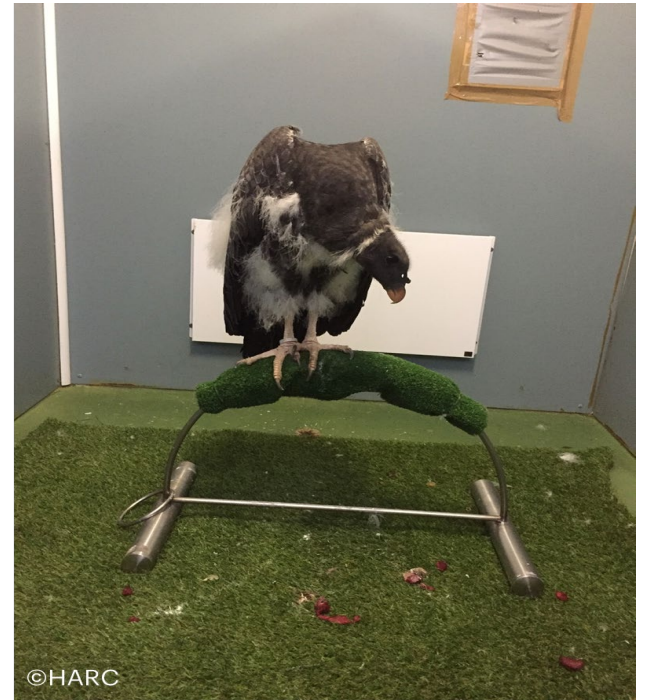
- When to feed – and not, depending on the species or taxa
- What to feed, depending on the species or taxa
- Provision of water





# Containment

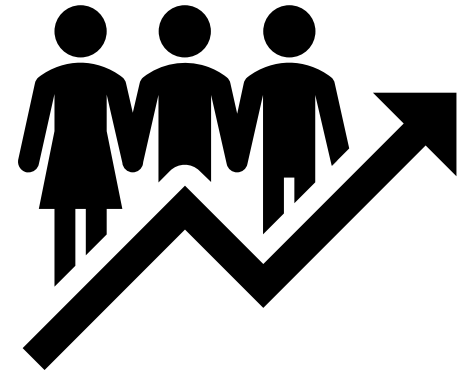
- Safe
- Escape proof
- Size
- Place
- Enrichment



# External resources

**When in doubt about species-specific needs, mobilize external resources:**

- Wildlife management or scientific authorities
- Veterinary services
- IUCN Specialist Groups
- Confiscation advisory networks
- Rescue centers and sanctuaries
- Zoological parks and aquariums
- Individual species experts
- Etc.



A long-haired dog, possibly a Shetland Sheepdog, is sitting in a wire cage. The dog has light brown and white fur and is looking directly at the camera with a concerned expression. Its ears are perked up. In the background, there is a red plastic bowl and a chain-link fence. The overall scene suggests a shelter or kennel environment.

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**Confiscated Animals,  
Rescue & Enforcement:  
Online Learning Program**



# Registration: Online Learning Program

## Handling Live Animals in the Context of Law Enforcement Operations

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XKFHMWZ>



## Manejo de animales vivos en el contexto de las operaciones de cumplimiento de la ley

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G73VVYM>



## Manipulation d'animaux vivants dans le cadre d'opérations d'application de la loi

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LSZW3J7>



thank you



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