

DE Animal Services (DAS) case #, if applicable _____ DDA case # _____



Delaware Department of Agriculture (DDA)
Report of Animal Potentially Exposed to Rabies

DDA phone: 302-698-4630

DDA Fax: 302-697-4492 Mailbox: Rabies.hotline@delaware.gov

Owner's name: _____ Owner's phone #: _____

Physical address where animal lives:

Mailing address (if different from above): _____

Animal's name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: M MN F FS

Description: CAT DOG Breed: _____ Other _____

Markings: _____

Date of injury: _____ Describe injury (wound location, severity, puncture, scratch, etc.):

Circumstances of injury-what happened? _____

Rabies vaccination status: Current until _____ or Expired on _____ or Unknown
date date

Name of submitting agency or veterinary office: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Examining Veterinarian or DAS Officer Signature: _____

Examining Veterinarian or DAS Officer Printed Name: _____

For currently vaccinated animals:

- A. For Examining Veterinarian: Animal was given a rabies booster on _____ (date) and the 45-day quarantine requirements were explained to the owner.
- B. For DAS Officer: Owner agrees to seek veterinary care immediately for rabies booster, and the 45-day quarantine requirements were explained to the owner.

Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____

For animals not current on rabies vaccination:

Owner has been informed of the **ONLY TWO OPTIONS** available: 6-month isolation quarantine or euthanasia. If owner chooses quarantine, it is effective **IMMEDIATELY**, and instructions have been given for compliance until details are received from the Department of Agriculture.

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QUARANTINE INSTRUCTIONS

Rabies is a fatal disease that is transmitted by a bite or contamination of an open wound or mucous membrane with saliva containing the rabies virus. When an animal is potentially exposed to rabies through a bite or wound, it is essential that the animal be properly quarantined to determine the health status of the animal. Therefore, it is extremely important the following instructions be closely followed:

Your animal was current on rabies vaccination at the time of possible exposure and must undergo a 45-day quarantine.

- If your animal has not already been seen by a veterinarian for a rabies vaccine booster, please do so immediately.
- Your animal should remain in your control or stay on your property for the next 45 days [until _____ (date)]. During this time period, the animal should not be allowed to come into contact with animals other than those residing in the household. Failure to comply will result in a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$200.
- If your animal shows marked behavior changes, escapes, sickens, or dies during the quarantine period, you shall immediately notify your veterinarian or the Division of Public Health (302-744-4995). Failure to comply will result in a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$200.

Your animal was not current on rabies vaccination at the time of possible exposure and must undergo a 6-month quarantine.

- You will be receiving a packet in the mail from the Delaware Department of Agriculture within the next 7-10 days. This packet requires your immediate attention for completion of the Quarantine Questionnaire. Detailed instructions for the isolated home quarantine option will be provided in the packet.
- During the 6-month quarantine, your animal must remain in isolated quarantine on your property, except to receive veterinary care. During this time period, the animal must be cared for and handled by only one household member 18 years old or older. The animal must be confined to a cage within a spare room, or outdoor double enclosure with protection from the elements and which prevents escape. The animal should not have contact with any other people or animals. Failure to comply will result in a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$200.

Authority: Delaware Code, Title 3, Chapter 82, Subchapter I