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Immobilisation and transport of exotic and wild animals

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Abstract

The safety of the patient animal and the person holding it is very important. Safety must be at the forefront for both the animal and the person holding it. During the intervention, the patient bird should be treated very gently to avoid trauma to the bones or soft tissues of it. The most important point to keep in mind that when handling a wild animal stress must be avoided as much as possible. While the claws of birds of prey are more dangerous than their beaks; beaks of herons, and the teeth and horns of mammals may pose a risk to the person holding . Towels and similar materials are very useful for keeping and controlling animals. Catching many animals, especially birds, with the help of towels will both limit the movement of the animal and reduce stress. To capture much more effort and equipment is required. Capturing species such as wolves, foxes, badgers, roe deer, deer and wild goats is very risky and requires advanced attention and technical knowledge. Although the fox is quite prone to bite, it doesn't express that it is going to bite like a dog before it bites. The equipment used to hold a fox safely is the same as that used for dogs. For this purpose the a proper net can be used, but the lock mechanism easy-opening dog catch clamp is also a secure holding tool. It is useful to use a sturdy glove when doing all these. Anesthetic or sedation can be applied to the fox placed in the cage. In wolves, as for foxes, the dog catcher can be used. The behavior of individuals in the family of felines also varies considerably from each other. Generally the most irritable and aggressive felines are some of the small ones. The most appropriate catch method for a cat of the size of a wildcat is to lay a net or use a fishing bucket. Holding, restraining and transplanting of ungulates such as roe deer, deer, wild goat and wild sheep are much more complicated than other species. In order to catch ungulates, injectors (darts) containing anesthetic substances and projectors or blowing pipes which deliver injectors to the animals are used. There are some considerations in the use of these materials. Many anesthetics act in a matter of minutes, during this time the injured but moving deer may continue to escape and may not be found again. It may be fatal for the animal if it goes under the influence of anesthesia in a place out of sight. Antlers provide easy control of the head when capturing the deer. It is necessary to tie the eyes of the animal with a clean cloth before performing all these interventions.

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