

WILDLIFE SURVIVAL SANCTUARY

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Contact Information

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Country: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cellular phone: _____

Email: _____

Facebook page: _____

Myspace page: _____

Twitter : _____

Occupation: _____

General

Do you have any experience working with animals? _____

If so, what species and what were your duties? _____

Please list any special qualifications or abilities: _____

Have you ever volunteered before? _____

If so, please describe: _____

Do you have animals at home? _____

If yes, what kind? _____

Medical Information

Blood Type: _____

Allergies: _____

Other Relevant Medical Information: _____

Emergency Contact

Name: _____ Relation: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone : _____

Cell Phone : _____

Email Address : _____

Name (printed): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

It is the policy of this organization to provide equal opportunities without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual preference, age, or disability.

WILDLIFE SURVIVAL SANCTUARY VOLUNTEER

PROTOCOL, RULES AND RELEASE

A successful volunteer at Wildlife Survival is here for the animals. Please read the regulations below and sign at the bottom, therefore acknowledging that you understand and agree with them. These rules are in place for both your safety and the protection of our animals.

In most cases that a person is injured by an animal, even though it is not the animals fault, the animal is usually killed!

- Locked Barricade fences around the animal habitats are there for your safety! Volunteers are NOT allowed to go beyond the barricade fences unless they are accompanied by a WSS staff member or have prior permission from one.
- While inside the barricade fence area, **DO NOT** attempt to pet the animal or put your hands inside the enclosure. If a volunteer is caught doing this, they will be asked to leave immediately. **Close barricade doors when entering and exiting the barricade areas!**
- Please do not feed the animals! Our residents are on a specific diet. If you would like to give an animal something, please discuss it with a staff member first. **This includes ANY type of toy! Anything that an animal can destroy and ingest is LETHAL!**
- Do NOT attempt to take something away from an animal! If it is something they shouldn't have, notify a staff member immediately.
- Do not attempt to enter an animal's habitat unless accompanied by a senior volunteer or staff member.
- While cleaning an animal habitat, **always make sure the animal is properly locked out!!** And, make sure that the outside safety door is closed and secured with **2 clips** while inside.
- When working inside an animal's habitat, remember to take out anything you brought in with you! Check the habitat thoroughly before releasing the animal from its lock-out area.
- **ALWAYS HAVE 2 PEOPLE CHECK ALL CLIPS AND LOCKS ON ALL HABITAT DOORS!!!!** **If you are not asked by a staff member or senior volunteer to double check the clips and locks on a door, DO IT YOURSELF!!!**
- Close all gates and doors after entering or exiting a habitat or barricade area. This also applies when opening a barricade door to change an animal's water or removing a food dish.
- Do not run around the premises or make loud noises! Please be respectful of the animals' environment. Running or playing "hide and seek" with the big cats reinforces the behavior to treat humans as their prey; we **DO NOT** want to encourage that behavior!!

- The John Deere 4x2 off-road vehicle (Gator) is for hauling items that you cannot carry. You will be using the Gator everyday in performing the daily chores. Please remember it is **not** a toy, but a very vital part of our daily routine! For example; if you need to go to the visitor center or food prep and you're not going to be transporting anything you can't carry, please don't use the Gator. Also please do not use the Gator on Sunday afternoons. We use the Gator to transport the cat's nightly meals and they associate the sight and sound of the Gator with being fed and since we fast the cats on Sunday, when they see and hear the Gator late in the day they get excited thinking its feeding time.
- If you do not understand these rules or have any questions and/or concerns, **please ask a staff member or senior volunteer**. Failure to follow (obey/observe) these rules will be considered grounds for dismissal and depending on the infraction you may not be allowed to return. Staff members/Senior volunteers are not necessarily subject to these same rules.

Clothing Requirements/Dress Code:

- You are welcome to use an iPod or other portable music player, but **DO NOT** use it while working inside an animal's habitat or while inside a barricade!!!!!!
- Please wear clothing appropriate for outdoor weather and exposure. Sturdy, closed toe, shoes are recommended at all times. Sunscreen and bug repellent are **HIGHLY** recommended.
- **NO** alcoholic beverages permitted during or before working times, this includes any activity associated with the animals!

For Volunteers residing at the sanctuary

- Please keep your room and common areas such as kitchen, dining room and bathroom clean. While you are living at the sanctuary it is your responsibility to clean up after yourself
- Meals to be eaten in dining room or kitchen area.
- Sanctuary gates are usually locked nightly at the following times:
Sunday-Thursday 10:00pm
Friday-Saturday 12:00pm
- If you are not able to make it back on property by these times, please advise someone at the sanctuary or make other arrangements for accommodations for that night.
- Please be aware that working with big cats requires you to be rested and alert!! If your night time activities prevent this, let us know and we can assign you other duties for the day.
- Wildlife Survival has several locked gates; **DO NOT let anyone** inside the gate unless you are instructed to do so by a staff member or senior volunteer.
- There are always a million things that need to be done around the sanctuary! You can refer to the weekly to do list or just ask if you would like additional projects or duties.

Please carefully read the following then sign and date.

I hereby agree on behalf of myself, my heirs, distributees, guardians, legal representatives and assigns (collectively the "Heirs"), that I and my Heirs will not make a claim against, sue, prosecute, or attempt to recover from Wildlife Survival Sanctuary Inc., any of its owners, shareholders, employees/volunteers, agents, contractors or affiliated organizations (collectively the "Owners") for any injury or damage resulting from my or my child's participation in being a guest at Wildlife Survival Sanctuary and my or my child's failure to follow any of the policies or procedures described above. I/We fully realize and recognize that the animals on the property are undomesticated and are dangerous and that I/We run the risk of injury or death by coming into contact with such animals. I/We hereby RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS Wildlife Survival Sanctuary Inc. and its Owners from any and all actions, claims or demands that I/We or my Heirs now have or may have for any injury or damage resulting from myself or my child being guests at Wildlife Survival Sanctuary, and participating in its activities.

BY SIGNING THIS PROVISION, I/WE INDICATE THAT I/WE HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE PROVISIONS AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I/We ARE AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF OR MY CHILD AND WILDLIFE SURVIVAL SANCTUARY AND ITS OWNERS. I/WE AM SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT OF MY OWN FREE WILL AND I/WE HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE MEANING OF THE DOCUMENT AND THE DANGERS INVOLVED IN TOURING THE FACILITY. I/WE HAVE HAD THE FACILITY'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES EXPLAINED TO ME AND UNDERSTAND THAT IF I/WE VIOLATE THEM I/WE ARE SUBJECT TO PENALTY.

Full Name (Print)

Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature
If volunteer is a minor

Date

Witness

Date