



FOUND MAMMALS & BIRDS



CAROLINA RAPTOR CENTER 704-875-6521

Handle injured birds of prey such as owls, hawks, or vultures. They will give instructions as to what to do.

ARC (Animal Rehabilitators of the Carolina's) 704-552-2329



Handle injured or abandoned baby squirrels, birds, opossums, and rabbits

Important notes regarding:

Birds-Birds learning to fly are on the ground for a period of 1 week & are fed by both parents. If bird is able to hop and is not injured, leave alone. If you picked the bird up, return him to exact location of where you found him. If bird is not fully feathered, try to return to its nest. Do not try to feed him, since all breeds have their own dietary requirements. If bird has been caught by a cat, it needs to be started on an antibiotic.

Squirrels, Opossums, & Rabbits—Monitor abandoned animals from a distance for 2 hours. If given the opportunity, most mothers will try to come back to their baby. If you see no activity after 2 hours or animal is injured, put the animal in a warm, quiet place such as a box. However, do not try to feed or handle the animal. Call ARC and leave a message.



If you find FOX, RACCOON, OR BAT'S in your yard

Most just wander in & out of yards and mean no harm. As always, just **leave them alone**, they will eventually leave! If it is injured or acting unusual, contact **Iredell County Animal Control** at **704-878-5424**. NEVER TRY TO APPROACH! Always, leave alone & bring in your pets! Unfortunately, the threat of rabies is there. The best prevention is to leave alone!

If your dog or cat gets into a fight with one, get him/her to the veterinarian immediately; After-hours, get to an Emergency Clinic. Veterinarian will re-vaccinate against rabies again even if your pet is current! As always, make sure your pet stays current on rabies vaccinations...it's the law!