



Release of Responsibility Form

CDART, the Canadian Disaster Animal Response Team, *does not* put more than one animal into a single cage or other type of enclosure, unless it's a mother with an unweaned litter. This is done for the safety of the animals and the volunteers who will be caring for them. Animals from the same family will be kept in enclosures next to one another or where they can at least see one another. If an owner requests that their animals be kept together in the same enclosure, they will be told why we do not recommend this.

Experience has taught us that animals accustomed to living together and getting along may not behave in the same manner when they suddenly find themselves in a different environment. There have been numerous occasions when animals, all from the same family/household, have gotten into fights, causing serious injuries to one another and putting volunteers at risk when they have entered the enclosure to separate the animals.

If an owner insists that their animals be kept together, in the same enclosure, they are asked to complete and sign a Release of Responsibility form. By signing this form, they agree to pay all veterinary bills incurred as a result of a fight. They also understand that every effort will be made to separate the animals that are fighting, but if it is determined too dangerous to enter the enclosure, this may not be possible.

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- RELEASE OF RESPONSIBILITY -

I, _____, have been advised by _____, a
(Evacuee Name - printed) (CDART volunteer name - printed)

Canadian Disaster Animal Response Team volunteer, why the organization does not recommend housing more than one animal per enclosure.

- I understand that if my animals are put in the same enclosure together:

I am responsible for paying any veterinary bills that are the result of my animals getting into a fight with one another or causing harm to any other animals at the facility.

- I understand that if my animals are put in the same enclosure together:

The Canadian Disaster Animal Response Team may determine it is too dangerous for a volunteer to enter the enclosure to separate the animals that are fighting, which could result in serious injuries to my animals.

By signing below, I release CDART, the Canadian Disaster Animal Response Team, all the incident command agencies that CDART reports to/works with, and all individual volunteers from these agencies, from all responsibility related to keeping my animals in the same enclosure together.

(Evacuee Signature)

(Date)