

**CALLS REGARDING WILD ANIMALS**  
(i.e. raccoons, skunks, etc.)  
**POLICY**

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**I. PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

The purpose of this policy is to establish consistent procedures regarding Animal Control.

**II. POLICY**

- A. Any call regarding peculiar behavior or disposal of wild animals should be forwarded to the Dog Officer/Animal Control Officer and/or the Police Department.
- B. The Police Department will be responsible for contacting the Officer.
- C. If all are unavailable, the Police Department will answer the call.
- D. The Officer shall determine whether or not the animal needs to be destroyed.
- E. If the Officer determines the animal must be destroyed, the Officer will take every precaution (i.e., clothing, gloves and goggles) to prevent any contact with animal fluids.
- F. The Officer shall determine if the animal should be tested for rabies.
- G. If testing is required, the animal should be taken to Dr. Horowitz for proper packing.
- H. Tufts will transport the head to Jamaica Plains.
- I. The Town Officer shall dispose of the body in a proper manner.
- J. The Officer shall keep a record of all calls and resulting action.