

SICK/INJURED KIWI OR ABANDONED EGGS



CONTACT the local DOC office and/or local kiwi project (listed overleaf).

ACTION what you can as first response in the field. Hand in for assessment and treatment ASAP.

RECORD relevant information including – Date of incident, time, location and people involved – Treatments to date.



Sick/Injured Kiwi

Address Wounds and Leg Fractures

- Flush open wounds using sterile saline
- Dress limb wounds using Melolin™ dressing, cover with Sofban™ and then Vetrap™
- For fractures below the knee, apply a thick bandage extending above the knee and below the hock, including the foot

(See Kiwi First Aid, pp 30-32)

Fluid Therapy

First 24 hours, 125ml fluid per kg of kiwi.

- Oral: Adult 10-20ml at a time; Chick 3-4ml at a time. Use 0.9% sodium chloride or electrolytes
- Under the skin: 1kg bird = 10ml per site, using multiple sites. Use sterile 0.9% sodium chloride

(See Kiwi First Aid, pp 17-18)

Provide Shelter

Provide quiet, shelter in transport box, and additional warmth.

- Heat pads, hot water bottle or warm room

(See Kiwi First Aid pp 15)

All consumable items listed in recommended First Aid Kit for kiwi: See Kiwi First Aid, p90

Seek Veterinary Assistance

Contact and transport to local vet:

Name:

Phone:

For referral, contact NZ Wildlife Health Centre, Massey University.

Business Hours: 06 350 5329

Weekends: 06 350 5955

Weeknights: 027 246 2267

Abandoned Eggs

Assume alive. Mark top, put in sock, keep upright, pack firmly in container, keep warm, hold steady to transport to nearest incubation facility (local incubation facility contact below).

Name:

Phone:

DEAD KIWI OR EGGS



Name:

Phone:

(local DOC office and/or local kiwi project)

ARRANGE to have eggs candled and confirmed dead. If you are not 100% sure it is dead, assume alive and transport (see overleaf).

RECORD relevant information including date and time, location, details of incident, and people involved.



CAN THE KIWI BE COURIERED IMMEDIATELY?

