

Animal Intake

Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary accepts animals from members of the public and local/national authorities.

Every effort will be made to accommodate any animal presented. This excludes:

- animals that legally the charity is not permitted to take in:
 - a) animals listed in The Dangerous Wild Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 2004
 - b) animals listed on The Invasive Alien Species (Enforcement and Permitting) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019
- animals of excessive size or temperament requiring specialist enclosures.

At times this may necessitate the utilisation of a waitlist for intakes to prevent overcrowding.

Holding facilities for animals in need of rehoming are provided to a high standard of welfare.

Animals will be quarantined for a minimum of three months before rehoming, and the advice of a suitably qualified person sought if there any concerns.

Animal Adoption

Appropriate permanent homes are found for all animals offered for rehoming.

Potential owners are required to have adequate facilities, equipment and means to provide for any rehomed animal.

Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary provides advice and support for those who have rehomed an animal.

Adoption is subject to a minimum donation fee, and completion of an agreement by both parties.

Animal Euthanasia

Only where quality of life (as defined by the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 2011) is deemed unacceptable, will an animal be euthanised.

Animals are inspected by suitably qualified persons where appropriate

Decisions as to viability are to be made in a timely fashion to prevent sustained suffering