STOP Let's make it Zero for our Wildlife Heroes

Tick the six



1.	Can I maintain awareness of the hazards around me?
2.	Do I have appropriate personal protective equipment and aids?
3.	If required, am I ready to deal with a dangerous or large animal?
4.	Am I prepared to prevent bites, scratches and infectious diseases?
5.	If required, do I have the right equipment and the training to use it?
6.	Am I feeling OK to do the job?

Do not proceed unless you tick all six. Your own safety comes first. Only assist wildlife when it is safe to do so.



Take 5 and stay safe

STOP

STOP — take a moment to assess the situation before starting work.



- **2. LOOK** look around and identify hazards. There are usually more than one.
- **3. ASSESS** what is the risk? i.e. The likelihood and severity of the harm occurring? This might range from probable to improbable and significant to slight.
- **PLAN** can you do anything to minimise the risk? Plan to deal with each hazard. It doesn't have to be a written plan, but if you are working with others, make sure you all agree on what needs to be done, who will do it and when.
- **PROCEED** follow the plan and complete the task safely. Remember to stay alert and adapt the plan if things change while you are working.





