

HOW TO REPORT SUSPECTED ANIMAL ABUSE

Child protection professionals who encounter suspected animal abuse often do not know how to report their suspicions to the appropriate agency.

The Connecticut Department of Agriculture, which supervises the state's municipal animal control officers, created this form for Department of Children and Families caseworkers to sue to submit a report.

It could easily be modified for other agencies – such as adult protective

services, domestic violence, veterinary, and other disciplines. We present it here as a model for you to use.

Remember: just as with reporting child or elder abuse, a reporter does not have to prove it: he or she merely needs to suspect it, and report it to the appropriate agency which will then investigate the situation further.



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SUSPECTED ANIMAL ABUSE REPORT

MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE NO LATER THAN 48 HOURS

DATE AND TIME SUSPECTED NEGLECT OR CRUELTY OCCURRED				NAME AND TOWN OF REPORTING OFFICER		
NAME OF ANIMAL OWNER				ADDRESS AND TOWN OF ANIMAL OWNER		
TELEPHONE # OF ANIMAL OWNER				ADDRESS AND TOWN WHERE ANIMAL IS LOCATED		
SPECIES OF ANIMAL	BREED	AGE	SEX	COLOR (S)	NAME OF ANIMAL	

NATURE OF HARM, NEGLECT OR CRUELTY: _____

HOW DID YOU LEARN OF THE SUSPECTED HARM, NEGLECT OR CRUELTY? _____

NAME OF ALL SUSPECTS:	COMPLETE ADDRESS OF SUSPECTS:

PREVIOUS HISTORY: _____

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