

CONTACT with BATS



Bats are helpful in controlling the insect population.

Bats can spread rabies, a deadly but preventable virus in humans.

Never touch or handle wild animals (alive or dead) - including bats!

- Tell children to inform an adult if they find a bat.
- Keep your pet's rabies vaccine up to date - they may come in contact with bats.

If you are bitten or scratched by a bat, follow these steps:

- Save the bat for testing. Don't let it go!
 - Capture the bat safely by scooping it into a container with a lid.
 - Don't touch the bat with your hands.
- Wash the wound or bite with soap and water.
- Call Public Health at 306-655-4612 (24 hours).

REMEMBER:

IF YOU HAVE CONTACT WITH A BAT AND CAN SAFELY CATCH THE BAT, KEEP IT. DON'T LET IT GO!