**Flying-fox mass mortality & morbidity event report form**

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In some years there are reports of increased numbers of sick, dead or orphaned flying-foxes. These events may occur in one camp, multiple camps in one region, or across larger areas. This form is to collect information to help determine the extent and nature of these events. Please refer to the[WHA Data Management Principles](https://wildlifehealthaustralia.com.au/DataManagementWildlifeDiseaseSurveillance.aspx) for how data submitted to WHA is managed.

Note: this form is for events of unknown cause. Heat stress events may be reported to the University of Western Sydney [Lab of Animal Ecology](https://www.animalecologylab.org/heat-stress-data-form.html).

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| **REPORTER’S DETAILS** |
| Your name: |
| Your organisation/affiliation: |
| Your contact details for any follow-up: |
| The date you filled out this form: |

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| **ABOUT THE INCIDENT (when and where did it happen, and who was affected)** | |
| Location of incident (camp name if known, nearest suburb/town):  *If multiple roost sites are involved please fill out a* ***separate form*** *for each roost site.*  GPS coordinates (if known): | |
| Start date (first  occurrence/awareness): | End date: |
| Is the incident ongoing? Y N  Details: | |
| Description of incident (attach extra pages if needed, pictures/videos if available): | |

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| **Species involved** | **Number affected** (approx; includes number dead) | **Number dead** (approx.) | **Age** (neonate, juvenile or sub-adult/adult)\* | **Sex** (M, F, mixed) |
| Grey-headed |  |  |  |  |
| Black |  |  |  |  |
| Little red |  |  |  |  |
| Spectacled |  |  |  |  |

\* Neonate (birth to weaning ~12 wks), juvenile (weaning to 12 mths), sub-adult/adult (>12 mths)

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| If mixed species in the colony, are all the species similarly affected? Y N Not mixed  Details: |
| Have you noticed or heard of any unusual behaviour relating to flying-foxes in the area? Y N  Details: |

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| **ABOUT THE BATS (describe the ‘syndrome’, treatment and outcome)** |
| Details of flying-foxes taken into care (clinical presentation; illness or complications; veterinary treatment; approx. numbers recovered/died/euthanased): |
| Details of any veterinary investigation (clinical examination, necropsy, laboratory testing):  Name of veterinarian or pathologist involved: |

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| Any other relevant details e.g. weather, local food availability, human disturbance, etc. |
| Any other comments? What do you think has caused the mortality event? |

**Please return this form to:**

Wildlife Health Australia

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