Reporting an Animal Bite

Report the Incident

Please report the incident to the following agencies:

- Domestic animal bites:
 Report to the applicable local animal control agency depending on the location of the bite incident. Use the Local Animal Control Agencies list on this page to find the appropriate agency to report animal bites.
- Domestic and wild animal bites: Report to Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD) at srhd.org/reporta-bite or use the QR code below.



If you have questions about potential rabies exposure, the need for rabies treatment, or whether the animal should be tested for rabies, please contact SRHD at 509.324.1560 ext. 7.

Medical Attention and Wound Care

If you were bitten by an animal, clean the wound with soap and water, and contact your health care provider to determine if additional medical treatment is needed. It is very important to talk to your health care provider right away if any animal bites you, especially a wild animal, in case they have rabies. Rabies can be fatal, and treatment must begin before symptoms appear.

Local Animal Control Agencies

IF YOU LIVE IN:	REPORT THE ANIMAL BITE TO:
Spokane (city limits) Spokane Valley Spokane County (unincorporated) Airway Heights Cheney Deer Park Fairfield Latah Liberty Lake Medical Lake Rockford Millwood	Spokane County Regional Animal Protection Services (SCRAPS) 6815 E. Trent Ave. Spokane Valley, WA 99212 Please call the SCRAPS emergency number at 509.477.2533 to report animal bites. If the animal bite happened more than 10 days ago, report to SCRAPS using the nonemergency number 509.477.2532 or submit to the Report a Concern Form online (spokanecounty. org/568/Report-a-Problem).
Spangle	Peggy Mangis, 509.245.3260, townofspangle@gmail.com
Waverly	509.283.4372
If you do not know which local animal control agency to contact, report the animal bite to SCRAPS.	

Special Instructions for Bats and Other Wild Animals

If you:

- Have any contact with a bat
- Find a bat in your home, even if you do not think you were bitten
- Find your pet with a bat
- Are bitten or scratched by any wild or stray animal

Please do the following:

- Immediately report the incident to Spokane Regional Health District at 509.324.1560, ext. 7.
- Safely capture the bat, if possible. Use heavy leather gloves, a heavy towel, or tongs. Put it in a can and cover with a tight lid. Do not damage the head of the bat because the brain is needed for testing. Wash your hands with soap and water after capturing the bat. Learn more at srhd.org/bats.

