

Animal Responses Kit Guidelines for Returning Critters

NOTE: A student in your class or yourself can opt to adopt any of the animals – to give them a home outside of the Science Center. The adopting person would have to provide an appropriate habitat and accessories. Be sure to acquire permission from the parents of any adopting students.

INVASIVES WARNING: DO NOT release living organisms into the local environment. Even though some of the organisms that are part of this kit unit may naturally occur in our local environment, they are probably native to a more southern zone and may contain invasive micro-organisms. Do not release them into the local environment – return them to the Science Center.

Living Organism	Packaging	Specifics
Crayfish	in container provided in the kit -or- in original shipping container	When contacting the Science Center for a pick-up, share with us the number of crayfish to be picked up. On the morning of the arranged pick-up date, place the crayfish in the 13 gallon plastic bag (with water) and loosely tie the top. Then place the bag in the dish pan from your kit. You can add flower pots in the bag for shelter and to reduce stress, if needed. Transport to the office for pick-up.
Mealworms	in one or more 4 oz. plastic jars w/lids	Transport to the office for pick-up.
Brine shrimp	not a pick-up item	--

School Office = Living organism pick-up location for all schools.