



Teacher Kit Rental Agreement



Teachers may check out these kits for use in their elementary classrooms. Kits contain lessons, games, models, artifacts, and books that teach students about animal biology, life cycles, and adaptations that help them survive in their habitats. To borrow a kit, please read this document and contact Melanie Michaels at mmichaels@lszoo.org or 218-730-4500 ext. 210 to make a reservation. Please fill out Page 2 and bring it with you when you pick up your kit.



Northwoods Wildlife Kit

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Students will learn about native animals great and small and how they survive seasonal changes here in the north.



Amphibian Kit

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Students can hop, run, and wiggle into the wonderful world of amphibians where they'll discover the unique characteristics of these animals.

RENTAL POLICIES

1. Refundable deposit

We require a deposit of \$50 in the form of a check. The deposit will be refunded to you in full if the kit is returned within 14 days without missing or damaged items. Checks should be made out to Lake Superior Zoo and can be dropped off when you pick up the kit. Kits kept longer than 14 days will be billed \$5/week. If the kit is not returned after 6 weeks with no explanation, you will be billed the remaining cost of the kit's contents: \$250.

2. Pick up and drop off

Kits must be picked up and dropped off at the Lake Superior Zoo. If the kit is being picked up or returned to the zoo before 10:00 a.m. or after 4:00 p.m., please make prior arrangements to ensure a staff member will be present to meet you at the entrance.

3. Inventory

Included in the kit is an inventory list of all items. Please check the inventory prior to use to ensure that no items are missing, and afterwards so that you won't be charged for missing items. Please notify the zoo of any discrepancies between the inventory list and the items in the kit. When you return the kit, zoo staff will also take inventory and inspect the items.

4. Return of deposit

If zoo staff find that all items in the kit are returned on time and undamaged, your \$50 deposit will be returned to you in full. If there are items that are missing or broken, then up to the full amount of the deposit will be used to replace the items. If zoo staff are unavailable to take inventory at the time you return the kit, your deposit will be mailed to you.



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RENTAL CONDITIONS

Please read these conditions and sign below. This agreement confirms that you agree with our policies and conditions for renting our teacher kits.

1. Kit reservations are confirmed with Melanie Michaels or another employee in the Zoo's Education Department.
2. Each kit comes with an inventory list. The renter is responsible for the safe transportation and condition of the items in the kit from the time they rent the kit until the time it is brought back.
3. The renter assumes all risks of loss or damage to the kit from any cause and agrees to return the kit to the zoo in the condition received, with the exception of normal wear and tear. The zoo will determine normal wear and tear and all determinations made by the zoo are final. Normal wear and tear is any kind of damage or deterioration to an object that naturally occurs over the use life of the item, but was not caused by excessive or unreasonable use or treatment. Ordinary wear and tear does not include damage caused by negligence, misuse, or abuse of the object.
4. The kit will stay as one unit and not be divided among classrooms.
5. The renter is responsible for any injury that occurs from using the rented kit.
6. The renter is responsible for paying the \$50 deposit. The \$50 check made payable to Lake Superior Zoo will be returned when the kit is returned in acceptable condition.
7. The zoo will apply up to the full amount of the deposit against any damages or loss of objects in the kit due to negligence, misuse, or abuse.

I have read and agree to the above conditions, and I certify that I have full authority to agree thereto.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

School/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Estimated number of people who will learn from this kit: Children ____ Adults ____

Kit Requested

Dates Requested

Northwoods Wildlife _____

Amphibians _____

I'm interested in a brief orientation to the kit with a zoo educator when I pick it up.
(Please also let us know this when you make the reservation.)

Bring this completed form and a check when you pick up the kit at the zoo. Thank you!