

FIRST AID KIT

BE PREPARED TO SAVE YOUR PARROT'S LIFE

Here are the essential items for a first aid emergency kit:

If you have a brooder, obviously you will not need the aquarium nor the thermometer. If not, and if you don't want to acquire an Eclectus-size aquarium, there are many other containers that can be used for a hospital cage, such as a smaller sleeping cage or a temporary cardboard box.

Here are the essential items for a first aid emergency kit:

- Veterinarian phone numbers
- Poison control hotline number
- Two thick towels
- Aquarium large enough for an adult Eclectus to rest comfortably
- Thermometer to monitor aquarium temperature
- Heating pad (all sick or traumatized birds must be kept warm)

SUPPLIES

- Naturade Aloe Detoxifying formula (emergency treatment of unknown illnesses)
- Aloe vera gel (multiple uses including pain relief for bird bites)
- Charcoal capsules (to absorb toxins -- only on advice of poison control)
- Grapefruit Seed Extract (disinfectant anti-microbial)
- Corn starch (for broken nails and feathers--Quik Stop causes soft tissue damage)
- Citra-Solv (to remove sticky adhesives from feathers)
- Sterile saline solution (for flushing eyes and cleaning wounds)
- Betadine or Chlorhexidine (for disinfecting hands and wounds)
- Infalyte or Pedialyte (for rehydrating sick bird)
- Distilled water (for mixing formula, cleaning, etc.)
- Gauze swabs & bandages
- *Formula (must be kept in freezer for emergency use)

TOOLS

- Nail clippers
- Nail file
- Small scissors
- Small, bright pen light
- Magnifying glass
- Masking tape 1/2 inch (for stabilizing broken wings, etc. on vet advice)
- Tweezers
- Needle nose pliers or hemostat (to remove broken blood feathers, etc.)
- Wire cutters (for entanglement in cage or other wire)
- Feeding syringe, cup & spoon (for emergency feeding of sick birds)

SETTING UP YOUR FIRST AID KIT

Laminate vet numbers or place in a small plastic bag

Line the aquarium with a thick towel

Place the SUPPLIES (except for formula) in a transparent basket

Stand the TOOLS in a see-through vase or basket Fit both supplies and tools into the aquarium

Place heating pad on top

Cover aquarium, supplies, and tools with the second towel

IN AN EMERGENCY

Use towel cover to restrain a sick or injured bird.

Plug in the heating pad and place it UNDER the aquarium.

Remove the baskets of supplies and tools.

Treat the bird and place bird on towel in the aquarium.

Monitor the bird and thermometer for comfortable temperature.

Call your vet for further instructions.

