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Hi Bhrent

Following the death of kiwi chick kiwi chick (T.Spe14 "Brill") we have implemented the follow :

1. A kiwi practitioner is appointed responsible for the health and safety of every kiwi for each stage of a kiwi operation. This will be done during the toolbox talk at the start of the day and will not necessarily be the team leader. The appointed person is responsible for ensuring the welfare of the bird throughout each stage and is to ensure that best practice is followed (i.e. handling, transmitter attachment). Note: this will not necessarily be one person for the whole operation.
2. The transmitter is to be fitted at the release site and is to involve only kiwi practitioners.
3. If the legs of a kiwi chick are to be restrained then a coloured foam spacer ("kiwi cuff") must be used always.
4. Adult and sub-adult kiwi are only to be taken from the kiwi box once (for an advocacy event) prior to being released.
5. All kiwi must be removed from the transfer box by a kiwi practitioner.
6. All kiwi must be released into the release hole by a kiwi practitioner and observed to be in good health and capable of normal movement.
7. The fauna supervisor will write up a check list and this will be carried in all kiwi kits by Tongariro kiwi practitioners. There will be a final ("paranoia") check of the bird prior to release- this will involve checking the transmitter is on, and that the leg restraint has been removed.
8. Kiwi chicks destined for TFKS are not to be used for advocacy events without the supervisors prior knowledge and approval.

These actions will be carried out with all kiwi by Tongariro fauna staff and failure to follow these will be considered a serious breach of service and referred to you immediately. I am confident that this action will ensure that such an incident does not occur again. Fauna staff have been asked to sign a copy of these actions as proof they have read and understood them.



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