

Area: DISCOVER - Reptiles
(Bedbug foundation /
Kimmy's Zoo) - Animal risks

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Animal and Hazard	Who Might Be Harmed	Is the Risk Adequately Controlled, or is More Needed	Review and Revision
Leopard Gecko - Bites scratches, salmonella, escape	All persons	Handler will instruct on how children/adults can interact with the animal safely.	
		<i>Not recommended for handling by children under 5 or immunocompromised persons</i>	
		<i>Handler will retrieve animals and secure them</i>	
Crested Gecko - Bites scratches, salmonella, escape	All persons	Handler will instruct on how children/adults can interact with the animal safely.	
		<i>Not recommended for handling by children under 5 or immunocompromised persons</i>	
		<i>Handler will retrieve animals and secure them</i>	
Ball Python / Corn snake (non-venomous) - Bites scratches, salmonella, escape	All persons	Handler will instruct on how children/adults can interact with the animal safely.	
		<i>Not recommended for handling by children under 5 or immunocompromised persons</i>	
		<i>Handler will retrieve animals and secure them</i>	
Leaf/ Stick Insect - Cuts from spikes on legs, escape	All persons	Handler will instruct on correct handling procedures.	
		<i>Handler will retrieve animals and secure them</i>	
		<i>Wash hands/use hand gel after handling.</i>	
Praying Mantis - Bite, cut from forearms, escape	All persons	Handler will instruct on correct handling procedures.	
		<i>Handler will retrieve animals and secure them</i>	
		<i>Wash hands/use hand gel after handling.</i>	
Millipede - Secrete fluid harmful to eyes or if ingested, fluid may stain hands, escape	All persons	Handler will instruct on correct handling procedures.	
		<i>Secretion must be washed off immediately. Must not put in the mouth or eyes</i>	
		Must NOT be handled by any person with a nut allergy - Note to be put in Leaders and parent handbooks to advise of nut allergy risks	
Tarantula (venom similar pain to a bee sting) - Flicking hairs, Bite, escape	All persons	Handler will explain interaction procedures verbally	
		<i>Handler will retrieve animals and secure them</i>	
		<i>Wash hands/use hand gel after handling.</i>	
Scorpion - Pinch from claws, sting, scratch, escape	All persons	Handler will explain interaction procedures verbally	
		<i>Handler will retrieve animals and secure them</i>	
		<i>Wash hands/use hand gel after handling.</i>	
Bed bugs - Bite, blood feeding, infestation	All persons	Handler will instruct on correct handling procedures.	
		<i>Handler will retrieve animals and secure them</i>	
		<i>Wash hands/use hand gel after handling.</i>	