

## 1.6 Conflict between Branches over Surrendered Animals

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### Introduction

- 1.6.1 This policy addresses situations where a Branch is negotiating surrender of a particular animal with a member of the public from its Region and that person then instigates negotiations with a WIRES member or Branch in another Region.
- 1.6.2 Branches should be aware that when a member of the public makes approaches to more than one Branch and/or individual there is usually conflict.

### Policy

- 1.6.3 If a member of the public who resides in an area that is not the same as the local Branch contacts you regarding surrender of an animal, contact should be made with the local branch with advice that this is happening.
- 1.6.4 It is irrelevant to which Branch and/or individual the animal is eventually surrendered so long as the local Branch is kept informed of developments.
- 1.6.5 Once the animal has been registered in the WIRES network, the necessary arrangements for transfer back to its correct area can be instigated by the local Branch's Animal Coordinator, keeping the welfare of the animal foremost at all times.