

**GREATER SAN DIEGO SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR (GSDSEF)  
CERTIFICATION OF HUMANE TREATMENT OF LIVE VERTEBRATE ANIMALS FORM  
(GSDSEF Form 2)**

Any form required for a student's project must be completed and signed BEFORE the student begins experimentation. If there are any questions or concerns about a student's project, contact Steve Rodecker, [stevegsdsef@gmail.com](mailto:stevegsdsef@gmail.com).

Form 2, when required, must be completed prior to starting a project. When the project work is completed and if the student(s) is/are asked to submit a Google Slide or PowerPoint Presentation for screening, this completed Form 2 must be given to your teacher who will file it for quick reference if needed.

The Student(s), and all who sign this form, MUST READ AND COMPLY with the live vertebrate animal humane treatment requirements of the *California Education Code*, the *International Science & Engineering Fair (ISEF)* AND the *Greater San Diego Science and Engineering Fair*. See: GSDSEF Rules & Regulations (page's 7-9) (To fill out this form, you may use the "tab" key to move from line to line)

Student 1 Name (last, first, middle) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student 2 Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title \_\_\_\_\_

Animal(s) to be used \_\_\_\_\_

Failure to follow ALL Rules & Regulations will result in disqualification.

I CERTIFY THAT:

1. The *Rules & Regulations of the GSDSEF, ISEF, and the California Education Code* will be followed and no animal will be harmed or endangered in any way.
2. The experiments performed WILL NOT involve surgery, toxicity, nutritional deficiency, physical or psychological stress or injury, or the sacrifice of the animals.
3. All animals will receive appropriate, nutritious food; adequate water; comfortable living quarters; humane treatment and gentle handling at all times (including week-ends, holidays and vacations).
4. PROJECTS, OTHER THAN OBSERVATIONAL STUDIES OF ANIMALS IN THEIR NATURAL HABITATS, require the supervision of a bio-medical scientist who has an earned doctoral degree in medicine or science and specific knowledge of the procedures involved, and who will assume responsibility for the experimental design of the project.
5. I have previously completed and signed the **Project Proposal Form, GSDSEF Form 1**, which outlines the procedures to be followed for this study.

Student 1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian 1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student 2 Signature (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian 2 Signature (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Animal Care Supervisor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Adult may be a parent or teacher who will assure compliance with item 3 above.)

Biomedical Scientist's signature if required, (see item 4 above):

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_