

FAUNA RESEARCH INC.

Notes from the Field



LOCATION: The Al Ain Zoo, Al Ain, UAE
DATE: July, 2013
SPECIES: Giraffe
EQUIPMENT: Giraffe TAMER® and Push alley way with slide doors and catwalk
NOTES: The Giraffe TAMER® was installed on a concrete pad adjacent to the existing Giraffe barn. Installation was completed in 3 days and the TAMER® was immediately put to use on Day 4.

FIELD NOTES:

DAY 1: Begin installation of TAMER® . Giraffe gives birth same day.

DAY 2: Continue installation of TAMER® .

DAY 3: Complete installation of TAMER® . Giraffe has not passed the placenta. Vets attempt to dart giraffe with antibiotics.

DAY 4: 7:00 am Final decision and preparations are made to separate the female from the herd and move her into the TAMER® .
 8:00 am The Giraffe is separated from the herd and guided through the barn and alley-way toward the TAMER® by animal keepers. Led by Mr. Gul Karim.
 8:03 am She is locked in the TAMER® and the following procedures are performed:

- Exact body weight taken immediately on entering the TAMER®
- Using the adjusting push panel, the animal is snugged up to control movement.
- From the upper catwalk, Drs. Shwaki & Cavero calm the animal, secure a blind fold, draw blood, inject antibiotics, vitamins & minerals, and monitor her behaviour.
- At the same time, Drs. Chege & Sean work through the No. 2 rear door, clean the perineum area, gently remove the placenta, then clean and flush the uterus with providone iodine.

8:40 am The Giraffe exits the TAMER® under her own power and is held in an adjacent pen for observation.



Giraffe being held in TAMER® by push side panel



Blind fold & Blood Draw: Drs. Shawki and Cavero



Female in the Giraffe TAMER®



Multiple access points on the Giraffe TAMER®



Successful removal of retained placenta & a shot of antibiotics.

For more information about TAMER® equipment, contact:
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