



# Furbearer Health Study: Gray and Red Fox

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is collecting gray fox as well as red fox carcasses for examination of disease and various health assessments. If you trap or hunt gray foxes or red foxes and are interested in participating in this study, please see details below for collecting and submitting carcasses. Thank you!

1. Carcasses can be skinned or unskinned but must be frozen within 24 hours of harvest and include the entire body and head.
2. Keep carcasses frozen until KDFWR staff can coordinate pick-up.
3. A carcass tag (included below) enclosed in a Ziplock bag must be attached to **each** carcass.
4. Additional carcass tags can be printed from [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov), written on a piece of paper, or requested by emailing [wildlifehealth@ky.gov](mailto:wildlifehealth@ky.gov) to have tags mailed.
5. To coordinate carcass pickup, email [wildlifehealth@ky.gov](mailto:wildlifehealth@ky.gov).

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## Fox Carcass Tag

**\*Complete all information, place in waterproof bag, and attach to carcass\*  
Email [wildlifehealth@ky.gov](mailto:wildlifehealth@ky.gov) to coordinate pickup.**

Harvester Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date Harvested \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Harvest County \_\_\_\_\_ Species (please circle)      Gray Fox      Red Fox

Address or GPS location \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the land use surrounding the area where this fox was trapped:  
Heavily Forested      Forest with mixed openings      Agricultural      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

For gray foxes only: How many years have you trapped gray fox in this county? \_\_\_\_\_ years

Based on your observations, what do you feel the status of gray fox is in this county?

Please circle:

Increased	Significantly Increased
Decreased	Significantly Decreased
Stable	No Opinion/Unknown