

Bats and Barbed-Wire



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Every year barbed-wire is responsible for thousands of cruel injuries with slow and painful deaths to bats, gliders, macropods and nocturnal birds.



Barbed-wire is a major wildlife hazard across our urban and rural landscapes but we can make changes to help limit the catch.

In urban environments barbed-wire is still being erected along railway lines, in car parks and industrial estates and much of it is being planted with wildlife attracting native plants.

Barbed-wire is erected as a human deterrent and our nocturnal wildlife are rarely considered. These fences are a constant death trap and every year thousands of animals are caught

and suffer horrid deaths or face months of rehabilitation with wildlife organizations.

The reporting of wildlife caught on barbed-wire fencing is increasing across Brisbane and it is time to make changes to limit this horrific cruel killer of animals. It is illegal to knowingly catch protected wildlife on barbed-wire yet the law is never enacted.

DO

- ✓ Use wildlife friendly fencing practices
- ✓ Replace the top strand of fences with plain wire
- ✓ Make barb-wire more visible at night by using bright tape, flags or CD's
- ✓ Advocate for enforcement of the law in regard to deliberate take of protected wildlife on barbed-wire

DON'T

- ✗ Grow fruiting or flowering plants near barbed/wire
- ✗ Never place barbed-wire over dams or waterways
- ✗ Remove redundant barbed-wire as quickly as possible from the landscape



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