

# [Full Name]

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dedicated **[Zookeeper]** with [X] years of experience caring for diverse species in [accredited zoological facilities]. Skilled in **animal husbandry, behavioral observation, and enrichment design** with a strong focus on welfare and safety. Proven ability to collaborate across veterinary, education, and operations teams to support high standards of care and engaging guest experiences. Known for meticulous record-keeping, adherence to **AZA/EAAM guidelines**, and calm performance in high-pressure situations.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### [Senior Zookeeper – Mammals] | [City Zoological Park]

[Month Year] – Present | [City, State]

- Lead daily husbandry for [large carnivores and hoofstock], including feeding, cleaning, operant conditioning, and enrichment, supporting a population of [X+] animals with [0] reportable welfare incidents over [X] years.
- Develop and implement **behavioral enrichment plans** and training protocols using [positive reinforcement techniques, target training, and protected contact systems], resulting in measurable reductions in stereotypic behaviors and improved cooperation in medical procedures.
- Collaborate with veterinary staff to monitor health, administer prescribed treatments, and maintain detailed records in [ZIMS or equivalent animal management software], ensuring full compliance with institutional and regulatory standards.

### [Zookeeper – Birds & Reptiles] | [Regional Wildlife Park]

[Month Year] – [Month Year] | [City, State]

- Performed daily care for [mixed-species aviaries and reptile collections], including diet preparation, habitat maintenance, and environmental monitoring to maintain optimal temperature, humidity, and UV exposure.
- Assisted with **breeding and incubation programs** for [threatened species], supporting egg collection, artificial incubation, chick rearing, and meticulous documentation of reproductive data.
- Engaged guests through scheduled keeper talks, behind-the-scenes tours, and educational demonstrations, adapting complex animal behavior and conservation concepts for diverse audiences to support the park's **conservation education mission**.

## EDUCATION

### [Bachelor of Science in Zoology] | [University Name]

[Month Year] – [Month Year] | [City, State]

- Relevant coursework: [Animal Behavior], [Wildlife Biology], [Comparative Physiology], [Conservation Biology].
- Completed senior project on [behavioral enrichment strategies for captive mammals] with emphasis on welfare indicators and data collection methods.

### [Animal Management / Zookeeping Certificate] | [Technical College or Training Institute]

[Month Year] – [Month Year] | [City, State]

- Hands-on training in **husbandry, restraint techniques, quarantine procedures, and exhibit safety protocols**.

## SKILLS

**Animal Care & Husbandry:** [Daily husbandry], [diet preparation], [enclosure cleaning], [enrichment planning], [behavioral observation].

**Health & Safety:** [Basic restraint], [quarantine procedures], [biosecurity protocols], [PPE usage], [emergency response support].

**Behavior & Training:** [Positive reinforcement training], [target training], [desensitization], [recording and interpreting behavioral data].

**Technical Tools:** [ZIMS or similar animal record systems], [MS Office or Google Workspace], [radio communication], [basic environmental monitoring equipment].

**Conservation & Education:** [Public speaking], [guided tours], [keeper talks], [conservation messaging], [guest engagement].

**Soft Skills:** [Team collaboration], [attention to detail], [time management], [problem-solving], [calm under pressure].

## SELECTED PROJECTS & CONTRIBUTIONS

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### [Enrichment Program Optimization for Large Carnivores] | [City Zoological Park]

[Month Year] – [Month Year]

- Co-designed and implemented a structured **weekly enrichment schedule** for [big cats], incorporating sensory, cognitive, and feeding-based activities, and tracked behavioral responses to refine the program.

### [Species-Specific Husbandry Protocols Update] | [Regional Wildlife Park]

[Month Year] – [Month Year]

- Assisted in reviewing and updating written husbandry guidelines for [aviary and reptile species], aligning daily routines and cleaning procedures with current welfare research and institutional standards.