



Transfer Instructions

Instructions for transferring Butterflies from Envelopes Into a Cage.

1. Keep your butterflies on the ice until you are ready to transfer your butterflies from the shipping container to your release container.
2. Select a location with low ceiling or limited space (a bathroom or small closet is perfect) and close the door while you make the transfer.
3. Set both the shipping container and the release container on the table. Set the top of your release container slightly off of the closed position to create a small slot or opening.
4. Open the shipping container and remove the packaging to expose the envelopes with the butterflies. Remove one butterfly envelope at a time holding it by the corners, carefully open each envelope and allow the butterfly to slide out into the release container. Most of the butterflies will drop to the bottom of the cage as they are cool. This is normal and they will begin to flutter their wings as they warm up. They will begin to climb up the sides of the container as they warm. Keep up your work until the transfer is complete.
5. Once the transfer is complete, secure the release container so it will be ready at the time of your release.

Note: You should be able to transfer all of the butterflies into your release container with no escapees. However, should a butterfly escape during the transfer process, you will need to capture it. Butterflies are attracted to light, so the escapee will likely fly toward a window or other light source in the room. Simply pick up the butterfly by the wings which will be closed. You can also cup your hands gently around the escapee if the wings are not closed. Despite what you have always been told, handling a butterfly gently will not harm it.

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