



# Warm Weather

**Congratulations!** on your purchase of our beautiful Live Monarch Butterflies! We know you're eager and excited to explore this box and maybe have a peek at your butterflies, but first we ask that you read these valuable instructions.

## Instructions for Releasing Butterflies with Warm Weather.

### First

Open the box and remove insulation. Remove ice pack. Place new ice pack in the box. Replace insulation and close the box.

### Next

Place the ice pack in the freezer to refreeze. If you do not have an ice pack, put ice in a plastic bag wrapped in a paper towel and then inside a second plastic bag. Just be sure to not get the butterfly envelopes wet!

### Last

Continue to store in a cool room at or below 70°F. For very hot or humid weather, try a basement, a wine cellar, tile or linoleum floors or even inside a dry bathtub! Swap ice packs as needed to keep butterflies cool.

**Do not store in the refrigerator for more than 20 minutes. Do not freeze to keep cool.**

Now that you have inspected and attended to the ice pack(or replaced with a sealed bag of ice), you will at some point the next day need to recheck the pack to insure it is still cold. Refreeze if necessary.

**Listen** to the weather Forecast for the day of the release. If the forecast is to be 80°F or warmer, then proceed to refreeze the pack the night before and replace it in the morning.

**Traveling?** Transport your butterflies in the original shipping container. If travel is long, or the ceremony/party is not until the afternoon or evening of the next day, then refreeze the pack the night before and replace it in the morning. Avoid leaving your butterflies in direct sunlight or exposure to high heat for more than 15 minutes. (No parked cars or hot door steps please!) **Important:** Please read the special note in the Mass Release Instruction Sheet about traveling with the butterflies and the best time to make the transfer – if you are doing a 'mass release only.'

**Fly Away...!** The time is drawing near to set your butterflies free! So, about 10 - 12 minutes prior to the release time, remove the individual butterfly packages from the Shipping Container and display them in a basket or transfer them if using a mass release container (see Mass Release Instructions). Important: Please try to make the 'warm-up' gradual instead of a sudden change from extreme cold to high heat (i.e. – do not take directly from the cold container and place directly in the hot sun). At this time, you may hear a bit of movement, do not be alarmed. They are living creatures and this is perfectly normal. Be sure to store your butterflies indoors or in the shade until you are ready to set them free. It is OK for them to sit in the partial sun for 5 minutes or so prior to the release, but try not to keep them in the extreme heat for much longer than that.

**Ideas, Suggestions!** If you want to place a butterfly anywhere, for photos, for the first kiss, the announcement of Husband and Wife, or "Happy Birthday!" or on your flowers or gift boxes, simply place the desired number of butterflies (kept in their original packages) into the refrigerator for 8-10 minutes. This brings down their body temperature. You will have approximately one minute before each butterfly warms up enough to take flight!

Refund Policy. We usually include extra butterflies in each order, however we cannot guarantee this. But, if for some reason some of the butterflies arrive dead or are dead at the time of release, please call us immediately. You may return them within 7 days of receipt for a prorated refund per butterfly.

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