

Reported Occupationally Acquired Infections Reptilia (Snakes, Lizards, Turtles) Zoonoses

Disease	Causative Organism	Probable Means of Spread to Man	Prevention
Salmonellosis	<i>Salmonella spp.</i>	Fecal contamination; occupational exposure	Good sanitation, along with good personal hygiene, avoiding stress, and using salmonella free feed, is very important; thoroughly wash hands after animal contact
Yersiniosis	<i>Yersinia spp..</i>	Ingestion; recreational exposure	Use good hygienic practices, especially handwashing

Physical Hazards:

- **Includes animal induced injuries:**
 - **Bite**
 - **Scratch Wounds**
 - **“Hot Snakes”, Can Cause Poison Intoxication.**