

Injured adult deer?

What do you do?

Usually, **NOTHING!**

While it is very difficult to see an injured animal, because of the nature of deer, it is usually best to leave them alone.



Why shouldn't you help?

Deer over a few months of age have developed a natural fear of humans and other animals. This fear can cause capture myopathy or white muscle disease; a fatal illness that is very painful and can take up to 6 weeks to kill a deer. This disease can be caused by physical or chemical restraint.

So, what do you do?

As long as the deer can get up and move around and feed itself, leave it to heal on its own. Deer do heal very well in the wild, even when they have lost entire legs. If a deer is able to get up and around on its own, it is best to leave it to heal.

If the deer cannot get up, a professional should be called; a deer with a broken back or neck cannot survive and should not be left to suffer.

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