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Formatting Guidelines

SPECIES NAME (Standard Name). **TITLE**. This template should be used by authors preparing herpetoculture notes for publication in *Herpetological Review*. Submitted notes will be reviewed and edited prior to acceptance. With some exceptions, individual notes should concern only one species. Authors are requested to choose a keyword or short phrase for a title that best describes the nature of their note (e.g., Breeding, Courtship Behavior, Reproduction, Diet, etc.). Use of figures is encouraged but they should replace words rather than embellish them and should help interpret the observation being reported. Identify species by scientific name first, followed by the standard name in parentheses; *Crotalus atrox* (Western Diamond-backed Rattlesnake). Thereafter, use abbreviated scientific name (*C. atrox*) only. If you include a figure it must be referenced within the text (Fig. 1) and a brief caption must be included at the bottom of the note.

Incorrect formatting will result in your note being returned for revision. Use 1.5 line-spacing and one space after periods. Left justify the entire document. Correct formatting for dates and time is 0235 h on 13 March 2013. Snout-vent length should be abbreviated but not total length or tail length (SVL = 45.0 cm; Tail length = 13.9 cm; 50 g). In-text citations should appear sparingly for journal articles (Fitch 1978. *Trans. Kansas Acad. Sci.* 81:354–362), books (Savage 2002. *The Amphibians and Reptiles of Costa Rica*. University of Chicago Press, Chicago, Illinois. 934 pp.), and book chapters (Snow et al. 2007. *In* Henderson and Powell [eds.], *Biology of the Boas and Pythons*, pp. 416–438. Eagle Mountain Publishing, Eagle Mountain, Utah). Journal titles are abbreviated. Follow chronological order within citation strings. Web resources are discouraged and should not be used if a peer-reviewed reference is available; web citations should be brief and include the root URL and date accessed (www.amphibiaweb.org; 1 Jan 2013). If collection or handling of specimens required permits, please provide that information (permitting agency or government, permit number).

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FIG. 1. Short but descriptive caption that includes the scientific name of the pictured organism.