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SUMMER IS NO HOLIDAY FOR ANIMALS ON FUR FARMS

Who cares about fur in this heat? What's summer got to do with fur? This: the misery that animals suffer in their tiny, filthy cages on fur farms is compounded by summer heat and humidity.

- The fur trade says that "farmed animals" make up the majority of the millions of animals killed for their coats each year and estimates that 10 percent of ranched animals die because of the heat. That means that hundreds of thousands of minks, foxes, and other animals will suffer from nausea and vomiting before dying of heat exhaustion. Baby animals are the most common victims, as they can easily die of dehydration.

- An Oregon researcher paid by the fur industry says, "Most mink sheds are built with uninsulated roofs that may act like an oven."



This skinned fox is one of millions of animals, including minks, beavers, and chinchillas, raised and killed on fur farms.

- In the wild, minks and other animals spend a great deal of time

in or near water. On fur farms, they are crowded two, three, or four to a cage. The constant fumes from their feces, which collects below their cages, torture these odour-sensitive animals.

- Born in the spring and forced to endure a sweltering summer, animals on fur farms are killed at the start of winter, just as their coats are thickening for the cold weather. They are only 7 or 8 months old.

- Killing methods on fur farms include neck-breaking, gassing, suffocation, and anal and vaginal electrocution.

Please consider these facts before buying or wearing fur.

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