



Yurok Tribe Care and Treatment Plan

Yurok cultural items are considered to be of great significance and high value in accordance with Yurok tradition. As such, all Yurok cultural items shall be handled and treated with respect and known traditional laws followed.

In an effort to protect Yurok cultural items, the Yurok Tribe respectfully requests museums to provide an environment similar to the type provided by Yurok people. The care and treatment plan is provided to serve as a guide when handling and caring for Yurok cultural items.

Standard #1: All ceremonial items must be kept in areas/boxes/cases that ensure that the items are not in jeopardy of getting smashed/broken or misplaced with other Tribe's cultural items.

Standard #2: Yurok ceremonial items are separated by men's and women's categories (ex. men's Jump Dance items & women's Jump Dance items).

Standard #3: Yurok ceremonial items are also separated by ceremony and/or cultural function (ex. Jump Dance items separated from Brush Dance; utility baskets separated from ceremonial items)

Standard #4: Yurok traditional plants are preferred to ward on bugs and infestations.