

Policies and Procedures

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CHAPTER: Miscellaneous Experimental Animal Use Policies`	ISSUED: 8/2016	REV. A:	REV. B:	REV. C:
POLICY: Field Studies	REV. D:	REV. E:		

Purpose

To comply with federal regulations and guidelines, Creighton requires that the IACUC review all research, testing, or teaching activities involving live vertebrate animals. This includes field studies as defined as activities involving a live vertebrate animal not performed in a laboratory.

Application

Principal Investigators conducting field research are to be knowledgeable about relevant zoonotic disease, associated safety issues and any laws or regulations that apply. Exceptions to the above are to be clearly defined and evaluated by the IACUC.

Principal Investigators must include information in the protocol as to whether there may be any impact on the species or the population as a result of the study

Principal Investigators must assure the IACUC that he/she will have all applicable local, regional, and national permits or other requirements required for the observation, capture, transportation, data collection or other proposed activity prior to the start of the study and for the appropriate duration.

Occupational health and safety (OHS) issues, including zoonosis are to be covered by the institution's OHS program with assurances to the IACUC that the field study does not compromise the health and safety of persons in the field.

Regulations

The use of animals for research, teaching, and testing at Creighton is regulated by and conducted in accordance with the Animal Welfare Act (AWA) of 1966 as amended, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) AWA regulations; the U.S. Public Health Service Policy on the Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (PHS Policy) and the Rules of Accreditation of the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care, (AAALAC International).

Guide for the Care of and Use of Laboratory Animals, ILAR, NAS, pg 32 Field Investigations

Animal Welfare Act and Regulations, in accordance with 9 CFR, Ch.1 Part 3-Standards-Subpart A through Subpart D.

Guide for the Care of and Use of Laboratory Animals, ILAR, NAS, Eighth Edition 2011, pg 31: