



Policy on Registration of Animals Used for Purposes Other than Research and Instruction

Although the use of animals for purposes other than research and instruction does not fall under the same regulations as research and instructional uses, the University of Georgia remains dedicated to, and responsible for, the humane care and use of all animals involved with UGA activities. The Office of Animal Care and Use should be notified about planned uses of UGA owned animals for non-research and non-instructional activities at any location, as well as planned non-research and non-instructional uses of animals not owned by UGA on UGA property, or at UGA sponsored events.

Registration with the IACUC about Non-Research and Non-Instructional Animal Use

The IACUC should be notified about the 3 following animal use situations:

1. Production Animals Owned by UGA

UGA-owned animals used solely for production purposes (no research or teaching) do not fall under any federal regulatory purview regarding IACUC oversight. However, the IACUC should be notified about the production use of UGA owned animals.

Registration method:

The College/School or Department Head will submit a letter from to the IACUC. The letter should list all locations at which production animals are maintained, and the species and approximate average number of animals at the location. A new letter should be provided to the IACUC at least every 3 years, and when location additions or removals occur.

The use of animals for production purposes only does not require an IACUC-approved Animal Use Protocol (AUP); however, Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for any husbandry procedures which may result in pain and/or distress must be reviewed and approved by the IACUC. Production-only animal facilities may be inspected, at the IACUC's discretion. The "Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching" is the standard the IACUC uses for production-only agricultural facilities.

2. Other Non-Research/Non-Instruction Activities Using Animals Owned by UGA

The use of UGA-owned animals for other non-research, non-instruction purposes (e.g., clubs, non-instructional exhibit, non-instructional FFA and 4H events) does not require IACUC approval. However, such uses should be registered with the Office of Animal Care and Use.

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Registration method:

Register via a short online form. A single event or a series of related events may be registered with one form. Registration expires after 1 year. The online form can be reached from the IACUC website, and via this link: https://ugeorgia.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0Vdgm1GmzxNc7Ma

3. Non-Research/Non-Instructional Activities Using Animals Not Owned by UGA, that is on UGA Property and/or Sponsored by UGA

The IACUC should be aware of non-research and non-instructional use of animals that occurs on UGA property, or is sponsored by UGA, even if the animals are not owned by UGA. Such uses should be registered with the Office of Animal Care and Use.

Registration method:

Register via a short online form. A single event or a series of related events may be registered with one form. Registration expires after 1 year. The online form can be reached from the IACUC website, and via this link: https://ugeorgia.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0Vdgm1GmzxNc7Ma

References

1. [United States Government Principles](#) for the Utilization and Care of Vertebrate Animals Used in Testing, Research and Training
2. Regulations of the [Animal Welfare Act](#) as promulgated by the United States Department of Agriculture
3. The United States [Public Health Service \(PHS\) Policy](#) on the Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals
4. The National Academy of Sciences "[Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals](#)"
5. The American Dairy Science Association, American Society of Animal Science, and the Poultry Science Association "[Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching](#)" (*Ag Guide*)