

Clemson University
Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)

Policy Number: 2.1

Policy Title: Guidelines on Which Activities Require an Animal Use Protocol

Section 1: Purpose

The following policy was developed to provide clarifications on which University activities require an Animal Use Protocol (AUP).

Section 2: Scope

This policy applies to all vertebrate animal used for research, teaching, testing, or demonstration within or associated with the University. As it is impossible to predict all situations, some exceptions to this policy may arise. Exceptions will be reviewed by the Chair of the IACUC and the ORC on a case by case basis.

Section 3: Policy

Refer to the following table for guidance on which activities require an Animal Use Protocol.

Situation	AUP Required?
1. ANIMALS USED BY PERSONNEL FOR RESEARCH AND TEACHING ON UNIVERSITY PROPERTY	
a. University Owned Animals:	
i. Animals are used for research, teaching, testing, or demonstration and are in the care of University personnel	YES
ii. Animals are viewed in conjunction with facility tours and the animal's behavior or normal routine is not altered	NO ¹
iii. Animals are manipulated for the purpose of viewing by a tour or members of the tour, workshop, or class participate in procedures	YES
b. Privately Owned Animals or Animals Owned by Another Institution:	
i. Daily care is the responsibility of University personnel and care and use is not defined in a Memorandum of Understanding or Inter-Institutional Agreement.	YES
ii. Daily care is the responsibility of University personnel and care and use is defined in a Memorandum of Understanding or Inter-Institutional Agreement.	Yes/No ²
iii. Daily care and decisions regarding animal use is the responsibility of the owner or the other institution. Examples include assistance animals, privately owned horses boarded at the Woodburn Horse Boarding Barn, event animals housed at the Garrison Arena.	NO
iv. Daily care is the responsibility of the owner, but Clemson University personnel will have full control of procedures performed as related to teaching, research, or demonstration.	YES
c. Free-Ranging Wildlife and Fish:	
i. Animals are captured, handled, or procedures are performed on the animals.	YES
ii. Animals are observed, but there is no interaction and their normal behavior is not altered.	NO

iii. Animals are the subject of a wildlife depredation permit issued by the appropriate state or federal wildlife agency.	NO
iv. Animals are the subject of legal recreational hunting, trapping or fishing.	NO
2. ANIMALS USED BY PERSONNEL FOR RESEARCH AND TEACHING ON NON-UNIVERSITY PROPERTY	
a. University Owned Animals:	
i. University or Non-University personnel have responsibility for daily supervision and management (including sub-awards to other institutions).	YES
b. Privately Owned Animals or Animals Owned by Another Institution:	
i. Daily care is the responsibility of University personnel and care and use is not defined in a Memorandum of Understanding or Inter-Institutional Agreement.	YES
ii. Daily care is the responsibility of University personnel and care and use is defined in a Memorandum of Understanding or Inter-Institutional Agreement.	YES/NO ²
iii. Daily care is the responsibility of the owner, but Clemson University personnel will have full control of procedures performed as related to teaching, research, or demonstration.	YES
iv. Daily care is the responsibility of the owner and the owner retains full control of procedures performed as related to teaching, research, or demonstration by University personnel.	NO
v. University students will perform procedures on animals under the direct supervision of a qualified animal care giver (including professional wildlife biologists, etc.) or health practitioner in conjunction with an internship or practicum carrying university credit	NO
c. Free-Ranging Wildlife and Fish:	
i. Animals are captured, handled, or procedures are performed on the for the primary purpose of teaching, research or demonstration and University personnel have control over the procedures.	YES
ii. CU personnel will assist in the capture, handling or assist with procedures performed on animals under the direct supervision of a qualified professional wildlife biologist in conjunction with the professional's regular wildlife management activities.	NO
iii. Animals are observed, but there is no interaction and their normal behavior is not altered.	NO
iv. Animals are the subject of a wildlife depredation permit issued by the appropriate state or federal wildlife agency.	NO
v. Animals are the subject of legal recreational hunting, trapping or fishing.	NO
3. ANIMAL CARCASS AND ANIMAL TISSUES USED IN RESEARCH AND TEACHING	
a. Carcasses or tissues obtained from a dead animal whose death was not due to the need for the tissues: The tissues or carcasses must be obtained from an acceptable source such as:	
i. USDA inspected slaughterhouse or commercial outlet (i.e. grocery store)	NO
ii. A commercial vendor	NO
iii. A wild animal that was collected by legal hunting or fishing (license required)	NO
iv. From an in-house animal that was euthanized for other purposes	NO
b. Carcasses or tissues are obtained from in-house animals or non-in-house animals euthanized for the proposed carcass or tissue use.	
i. A commercial vendor.	NO
ii. In house animals kept for the specific purpose of the proposed tissue collection.	YES
iii. Non-commercial outside source animals with vendor approved protocol or SOP. <i>The PI or teacher must maintain records (at the department level) of carcass or tissue origin for one year from date of use. (Records could include receipt, protocol number, SOP number etc. and number used.)</i>	NO
iv. Custom monoclonal antibody production from a commercial vendor.	YES

¹Subject to the approval of the facility manager.

²AUP requirement will be determined on a case-by-case basis and depend on the complexity of the situation.