



Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) Office of Research Compliance (ORC)

Transfer of Animals to Off-Campus Locations

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Bloomington Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

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Policy Statement

Before animals are shipped, the receiving institution's agreement to accept animals from IUB is required. A report of the animals' health status will be provided to the laboratory animal veterinary office of the receiving institution from IUB's Laboratory Animal Resource (LAR) when requested.

Reason for Policy

Many institutions request/require a report of the animals' health status be provided prior to receiving them. In order to protect the health and welfare of animals shipped from IUB, the receiving institution's agreement to accept the animals should be verified before shipment.

Scope

All animals (including Investigator maintained facilities)

Procedures

1. Role of Investigator: The IUB investigator will provide LAR with information necessary to obtaining an animal health status report as well as contact information for the receiving institution's laboratory animal veterinary office and the receiving investigator. Animal External Transfer forms will be available from LAR. The IUB Investigator will hold the shipment of animals, pending notification from LAR that the receiving institution has agreed to accept the shipment. The form will be available on the BIACUC website.
2. Role of LAR: When provided with a completed Animal External Transfer form, LAR will send a health status report to the designated institution. LAR will notify the investigator when the receiving institution has agreed to accept the shipment. LAR management will work with the investigator to arrange shipping after export approval has been received.
3. Role of BIACUC: The BIACUC will oversee compliance with this IUB policy.

Sanctions

Failure to comply with IACUC policies may result in non-compliance reports to the Institutional Official, the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW), the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and/or the suspension of animal use privileges. In addition, the availability of sponsored research funds may be affected when any time an Investigator is found to be in violation of these policies.

Forms

<https://lar.indiana.edu/forms/index.html>

Contacts

Subject	Contact	Phone	Email
Exporting animals	Attending Veterinarian	855-2356	lar@indiana.edu
Exporting animals	LAR Manager	855-2356	lar@indiana.edu
Policy	IACUC Administrator	855-5138	biacuc@indiana.edu

Web Address for this Policy

<https://research.iu.edu/policies/bloomington-animal-care-and-use.html>

Related Information

Export of Laboratory Animals

References:

- *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, 8th edition, National Academy of Sciences, 2011.
- *Animal Welfare Regulations*, 9 CFR, chapter I, subchapter A, 2008.
- *U.S. Government Principles for the Care and Use of Animals Used in Testing, Research, and Training*, 1983.