

IACUC Update

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
The University of Texas at Austin

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UT Football Games, Animal Care, and Campus Parking

It is our responsibility to ensure the animals under our care are our first priority. While it may seem like “Mission: Impossible” to find parking around campus during home football games, with a little preplanning and coordination, arrangements can be made with Parking and Transportation Services (PTS) for special event parking.



Parking and Transportation Services

If you need to access areas of campus during home football games, you will need to make prior arrangements with PTS. You will need to complete the Event Parking Request Form at least **two weeks** in advance. Once the form has been submitted, a PTS representative will contact you. Please note: you must have a current parking permit before you can request special event parking.

Please contact Parking and Transportation Services directly with any questions or concerns: <http://www.utexas.edu/parking>



Online Training Videos Highlight Common Procedures with Rodents

The *Procedures With Care* website provides a series of resources to support the adoption of best practice for commonly used procedures in animal research.

Procedures With Care has an extensive library of free, high-resolution, and professionally produced training videos covering rodent handling, surgery, and other common procedures.

For more information, please see: <http://www.procedureswithcare.org.uk>

Reporting Animal Care Concerns: “Whistle-Blower Policy”

Any person who has concerns regarding any aspect of the care and use of animals in research, teaching, or testing at The University of Texas at Austin is encouraged to voice that concern.

Concerns about animal care and use should be reported to the Attending Veterinarian, the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, or University Compliance Services. The names and phone numbers of these contact points should be posted in animal facilities and laboratories.

The IACUC has prepared a poster that contains this information and should be posted in animal facilities (including labs). The poster, in both English and Spanish, is available on the IACUC website.

Semi-Annual Facility Evaluations: Coming Soon!

The semi-annual evaluations of all the University’s animal facilities will occur from **September 30 through October 14, 2013**. This process involves an examination of all areas where animals are used or housed for teaching, research, and/or testing.

A complete schedule is attached to this newsletter. Unfortunately, the IACUC will be unable to provide specific times within each evaluation window for individual laboratories.

You can begin preparing your laboratory for the visit by reviewing the revised “Laboratory Self-Evaluation Checklists” that are available on the “Documents, Materials, and Forms” page of the IACUC website.

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The next IACUC Full Committee Review (FCR) is **October 14, 2013**.

The submission deadline for review at this FCR is **September 20, 2013**.

Please contact the Office of Research Support with any questions, comments, or concerns.
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TO: All Principal Investigators and Laboratory Personnel
FROM: Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
DATE: September 19, 2013
SUBJECT: Notice of Semi-Annual Animal Facility Evaluations

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) will conduct the fall facility evaluations from **September 30, 2013 through October 14, 2013**. This process involves an examination of all areas where animals are used and housed for research, teaching, and/or testing. The [Laboratory Self-Evaluation Checklists](#) should be used to facilitate your laboratory preparation for the facility evaluations and is a good resource to keep your laboratory in tip-top shape.

Please post the name(s) and best contact method (e.g., lab phone, cell phone, etc.) of a knowledgeable person that will be present and able to answer questions during the laboratory visits.

Fall Semi-Annual Facility Evaluation Schedule

(dates and times subject to change)

Monday, September 30, 2013 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. NHB (vivarium & labs)	Tuesday, October 8, 2013 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. PAT Basement, Floor 1, 2, 3
Monday, September 30, 2013 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. DPRI	Tuesday, October 8, 2013 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. BEL, PAT Floor 4, 5, 6
Tuesday, October 1, 2013 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. ARC Floor 2, ARC Floor 3	Wednesday, October 9, 2013 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. ECJ, NHB (imaging center), WEL
Tuesday, October 1, 2013 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. MBB, NMS, PHR	Wednesday, October 9, 2013 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Brackenridge Field Laboratories
Wednesday, October 2, 2013 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Marine Science Institute	Thursday, October 10, 2013 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Pickle Research Campus
Monday, October 7, 2013 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. ARC Annex, vehicle(s)	Monday, October 14, 2013 8:15 – 10:15 a.m. ARC General Facilities, Floor 1
Monday, October 7, 2013 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. BME, PAI, SEA	

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