

**SEATTLE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH INSTITUTE  
OPERATING POLICIES / PROCEDURES**

**DEPARTMENT:** Institutional Animal Care and Use  
Committee  
**POLICY NUMBER:** IACUC-031  
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**TITLE:** Animal Husbandry, Housing And Management

**SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this policy is to establish a policy of animal husbandry, sanitation, housing and management that conforms to the recommendations of the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (the *Guide*), and provides a high quality of animal care.

**POLICY/PROCEDURE:**

- 031-1 Animal Housing: Primary & secondary enclosures provided for rodents at Seattle Children's Research Institute shall conform to all recommendations as described in the *Guide* with regard to:
- 031-1.1 Construction material.
  - 031-1.2 Space.
  - 031-1.3 Ventilation.
  - 031-1.4 Temperature & Humidity.
  - 031-1.5 Illumination.
  - 031-1.6 Security of animals.
  - 031-1.7 Access to feed & water.

031-2 Husbandry: Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), for animal husbandry at Seattle Children's, will conform to the recommendations as described in the *Guide* with regard to provisions for:

031-2.1 Food.

031-2.2 Water.

031-2.3 Bedding.

031-2.4 Sanitation.

031-2.5 Waste Disposal.

031-3 Refer to the Office of Animal Care (OAC) SOP for more detailed information.

**REFERENCES:**

National Research Council, "The Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals". National Academy Press; Washington DC. 1996.

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