
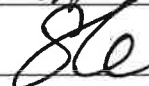
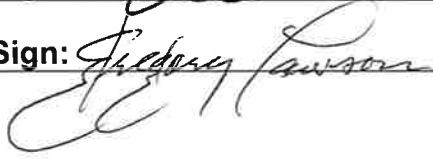




OFFICE OF LABORATORY ANIMAL CARE

Working Instructions

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PROCEDURE

All work instructions must be demonstrated by the trainer and performed by the trainee.

1. Safety Considerations:

- Walk around the perimeter of the enclosure to prevent accidental damage of underground burrows.

2. Health:

- Observe animals while foraging at the surface and during nest box bedding change, this provides additional confirmation the animals are active and in good condition.
- If animals are underground and unable to be visualized for health check, confirm that the previous day's produce has been eaten.

3. Nest box:

- Remove the cover/lid located on top of each nest box.
- Open the nest box and remove the bedding.
 - Discard the soiled bedding in the trash.
- Check the box for condensation.
 - If condensation is present, dry the box by wiping it with a cloth or paper towel.
- Place new nesting material (Aspen shavings and Envirodry) into the nest box.
- Close each nest box and place the cover/lid back on top.

4. Feed:

- Place ¼ cup of rodent food into each nest box.

- b. Place three (3) baby carrots & one (1) leaf of romaine lettuce per animal.
- The number of animal(s) per pen are noted on the sides of the enclosure.
 - Produce is stored in the feed storage room refrigerator in building.

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

REVISION HISTORY			
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