

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. Hand-washed items:
 - a. Visually inspect items that are hand-washed for cleanliness
 - i. If they are not clean, review and make any necessary changes to the hand wash protocol.
 - b. Test freshly cleaned items for adequate sanitation (see step 3).
- 2. Tunnel or Rack washed items:
 - a. Visually inspect items for cleanliness.
 - If any washed items are visibly dirty, evaluate the temperature and tunnel washer belt speed or the rack washer time and the supervisors will make any adjustments.
 - b. Test freshly cleaned items for adequate sanitation (see step 3).
 - i. For the rack washer, test items that are more difficult to reach by the water
 - c. If cage wash equipment fails (faulty parts, fails to reach temp, etc.), the Facility

Supervisor or facility manager must evaluate the failure and request any maintenance or repairs.

3. Sanitation testing:

- a. Coordinate with Facility Manager/Area Supervisor for a time of testing so that ATs can prepare freshly washed items for testing.
- b. Sample items from lists below using an ATP monitoring system (i.e. AccuPoint Advanced Next Gen Sanitation Monitoring System).
- c. Collect all ATP samples following the guidelines outlined in the AccuPoint Advanced
- d. Sample Procedure

Remove swab from the sampler.

- Sample the item by swabbing a 4 x 4 in (10cm x 10cm) square area using a vertical and horizontal back and forth motion fill in the square. Test areas on the item that are the most protected from the water sprays. Consistency is critical.
- Hold the sampler vertically, insert the swab into the top of the sampler, and fully depress to activate.
- Swirl gently for two seconds. Do not shake.
- With the instrument held upright, press the eject button and insert the sampler.
- Close the door to depress the sampler and begin the test. Keep the instrument upright while the sample is being read.
- The Relative Light Units (RLU) value will display along with a symbol for pass, marginal, or fail.
- On the results screen, users have the option to enter notes for that result, retest that site, or move to the next site in their plan.
- e. The AccuPoint Advanced Next Gen Sanitation Monitoring System detects ATP at set thresholds and reports the measurement in RLU's.
 - The following algorithm will be used to rate the results:

o Pass: 0-149 RLU

Marginal: 150-299 RLU

○ Fail: >300 RLU

- f. If test result is "Marginal"
 - Repeat ATP test on a second item of the same type that has been washed recently.
 - Accept "Marginal" results as sufficient if item does not come into direct contact with animals and not expected to be sterile (e.g. food prep countertop, knife used for food prep)
- g. If test result is "Fail"
 - Repeat ATP test on a second item of the same type immediately after washing or immediately report the failure to the facility supervisor for maintenance or repairs.
- h. Record all test results and send a report to the facility manager/area supervisor.
 - Facility manager/area supervisor to follow-up with AT regarding any failed test results.

Cleaning Method:	Common Materials Cleaned:
NAF Tunnel Washer	 Rodent cage bottom, feeder, & lid Water bottle & Sipper tube Enrichment devices Nest boxes Food container
NAF Rack Washer	 Bat cage Songbird cage Rabbit cage Rodent cage bottom
NAF Dishwasher	Knife Cutting board
LKS Tunnel Washer	
LKS Rack Washer	NHP cage
LKS Lancer Glass Washer	
WH Tunnel Washer	 Rodent cage bottom, feeder, & lid Water bottle & Sipper tube Enrichment devices Food container
WH Rack Washer	

Items to be tested per facility

NAF- Rodent Food Hopper Cage Bottom Sipper Tube Enrichment Water bottle Cage Lid Change Station- room	NAF- Finches Water bowl Nest Box Feeder Cage Enrichment Cage Pan Net	NAF- Bat Curtain Enrichment Water Spigot Knife Cutting Board Food Container Cage wall/Pan Blender Sipper Tube Water Bottle Flight cage Food prep- Counter
LKS- NHP's Food Hopper Enrichment Sipper Tube Water Bottle Knife Tsao Chair Wallis Chair Cutting Board Food Prep- Counter	LKS- Rodent Change Station- room	WH-6 Cage Bottom Cage Wire bar Sipper Tube Enrichment Water bottle Food Hopper Cage Lid Change station- room
WH-B Frog Net Reptile Dish Enrichment Frog Tank Reptile Tank Change station- room	WH-B-Zebrafish Fish Tank Fish Baffle Fish Lid	WH-B- Harland Trop Tanks Trop- lid Trop- bucket Trop- tank

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WH-B- Lab washed buckets	VLSB- Tuco
Hayes	Joint
Heald	Nest Box
Isacoff	Tube
Harland-Laevis bucket	

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

REVISION HISTORY			
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