

University of Florida Policy on Identifying USDA Regulated Animal Housing Facilities, Study areas, and Procedure Rooms, and Animal Care and Use Protocols

Research or teaching of health science professionals using warm-blooded animals **except** for:

- rats of the genus *rattus*;
- mice of the genus *mus*;
- birds bred for research;
- and farms animals used for food and fiber production for improving the nutrition, breeding, management, production efficiency, or quality of food or fiber;
- or warm-blooded animals, excluding those mentioned above, that are client owned, are used in a clinical trial testing and where the health or the quality of life of the animal would improve and there is no financial reimbursement to the client for the use of their animal.

Location and Site Registration

The University of Florida campus in Gainesville is the only USDA registered location under the current University of Florida's USDA Research Registration. The University maintains sites under this location which are within a 35 mile radius of the main campus.

Housing of USDA regulated research projects at the University of Florida: Animals used for research or teaching are housed within the ACS. Exceptions must be approved by the IACUC and either based on scientific justification or where housing cannot be provided by ACS. When USDA regulated animals are housed outside the central animal facility, refer to the guideline posted at www.ACS.ufl.edu: *Housing Animals Outside Designated Laboratory Animals Housing Facilities in the HSC or CLAS*.

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