



<p>UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE</p> <p>USDA</p> <p>OFFICIAL WARNING NOTICE OF ALLEGED VIOLATION</p>	CASE NUMBER: OK210005-AC
	ALLEGED VIOLATOR: Oklahoma State University
	ADDRESS (City, State, ZIP Code): Stillwater, OK 74078
<p>The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following alleged violation(s) of Federal laws:</p> <p>Date of Alleged Violation: June 29, 2021</p> <p>9 C.F.R. § 2.31(c)(7) Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)</p> <p>(c) IACUC functions. With respect to activities involving animals, the IACUC, as an agent of the research facility, shall:</p> <p>(7) Review and approve, require modifications in (to secure approval), or withhold approval of proposed significant changes regarding the care and use of animals in ongoing activities.</p> <p>9 C.F.R. § 2.31(d)(1)(i) Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)</p> <p>(d) IACUC review of activities involving animals.</p> <p>(1) In order to approve proposed activities or proposed significant changes in ongoing activities, the IACUC shall conduct a review of those components of the activities related to the care and use of animals and determine that the proposed activities are in accordance with this subchapter unless acceptable justification for a departure is presented in writing; Provided, however, That field studies as defined in part 1 of this subchapter are exempt from this requirement. Further, the IACUC shall determine that the proposed activities or significant changes in ongoing activities meet the following requirements:</p> <p>(i) Procedures involving animals will avoid or minimize discomfort, distress, and pain to the animals.</p> <p>9 C.F.R. § 2.31(e)(3) Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)</p> <p>(e) A proposal to conduct an activity involving animals, or to make a significant change in an ongoing activity involving animals, must contain the following:</p> <p>(3) A complete description of the proposed use of the animals.</p>	



The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) published federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the alleged violation(s) described above. This Official Warning is not to be construed as a final agency action, or as an adjudicated finding of a violation. If APHIS obtains evidence of any future violation of these federal regulations, APHIS may pursue civil penalties, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions for this alleged violation(s) and for any future violation(s). If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or alleged violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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