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| **Department/Facility Requesting Exemption** | |  | **Accession #** |  |
| **Date of IACUC Review** |  | | **Outcome** | Choose an item. |

**REQUEST FOR PROGRAMMATIC EXCepTION FROM**

**ANIMAL WELFARE STANDARDs**

This form should be used to request facility-level exceptions from welfare standards established in TAMU IACUC Guidelines, the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals ("Guide"), the Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching (“Ag Guide”), and/or the Animal Welfare Act Regulations (USDA “Blue Book” or “Inspection Manual”) for justifiable/scientific reasons.

Specify the Exception(s) that are requested and complete the related item(s) as indicated. Submit completed request to: [animalcompliance@tamu.edu](mailto:animalcompliance@tamu.edu)

**NOTE:** AUP Exceptions should be listed in the AUP or requested via Amendment.

Exception from Feed/Bedding Storage Standards [Complete Section 1]

Exception from Construction Standards [Complete Section 2]

Exception from Standard Water Change Frequency (Aquatics) [Complete Section 3]

Exception from Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Standards [Complete Section 4]

Exception from Power and Lighting Standards [Complete [Section 5](#_5.__Exemption)]

Exception from Noise and Vibration Control Standards [Complete Section 6]

Exception from Sanitizing Facility Standards [Complete Section 7]

Exception from Environmental Monitoring Standards [Complete Section 8]

Exception from Standards of Special Facilities [Complete Section 9]

Exception from Security and Access Control Standards [Complete Section 10]

Exception from Other Standards not Listed Above [Complete Section 11]

**1. Exceptions from feed and bedding storage standards (see TAMU-G-019)**

* 1. List location(s) of facilities used for food/bedding storage that cannot be maintained to recommended temperature or humidity standards:

Click here to enter text.

* 1. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

Click here to enter text.

* 1. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will expiration dates be assigned as appropriate (using information such as manufacturer’s or supplier’s recommendations).

Click here to enter text.

**2. Exceptions from construction standards**

**Examples include: corridor, door, window, floor, wall, ceiling or drainage construction standards**

2.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

Click here to enter text.

2.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

Click here to enter text.

2.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**3. Exceptions from Heating, Ventilation, and Air conditioning standards\***

**\*AWR Exception which must be reported on Annual Report:** Keeping USDA regulated animals in temperatures outside of range described in the AWA standards for relevant species.

3.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

Click here to enter text.

3.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

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3.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**4. Exceptions From power and lighting standards\***

**\*AWR Exception which must be reported on Annual Report:** Keeping USDA regulated animals in 24 hour dark cycle.

4.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

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4.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

Click here to enter text.

4.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**5. Exceptions from storage area standards**

5.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

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5.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

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5.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**6. Exceptions from noise and vibration control standards**

6.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

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6.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

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6.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**7. Exceptions from sanitizing facility standards\***

**\*AWR Exception which must be reported on Annual Report:** Extension of interval for cleaning/sanitization of enclosures used for USDA regulated species.

7.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

Click here to enter text.

7.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

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7.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**8. Exceptions from environmental monitoring standards**

8.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

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8.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

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8.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**9. Exceptions from standards of special facilities**

**Examples include: Surgical, Barrier, Imaging, Whole Body Irradiation, Hazardous Agent Containment, Behavioral Study, and Aquatic Species Housing Facilities.**

9.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

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9.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

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9.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**10. Exceptions to security and access control standards**

10.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

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10.2. Justify the requested exception(s). Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

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10.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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**11. Other Exceptions\***

**\*AWR Exception which must be reported on Annual Report:** Removal of resting platforms from enclosures for USDA regulated cats. Other Exceptions from Animal Welfare Act Regulations for USDA regulated species.

11.1. Specify the requested exception location(s).

Click here to enter text.

11.2. Describe and justify the exception(s) requested under ‘other’. Include in your description why the location(s) cannot meet regulatory requirements, what plans were considered to meet these standards and why they were rejected?

Click here to enter text.

11.3. Describe the proposed management plan, i.e. how will animal wellbeing be addressed?

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