

STANDRAD OPERATING PROCEDURES

Environment

- Light cycle: 12 hours light/12 hours dark (exceptions are noted on the room sign)
- Humidity: 30%-70%
- Temperature: 72°F +/- 2°
- Report environmental problems in the room (i.e. room temperature variations >+/- 2°F from 72°F, obvious ventilation changes) verbally to the Operations Manager.

Water

- Water is provided ad lib via bottle, stopper and sipper tube, unless otherwise indicated by a special instruction card on the front of the cage.
- Water bottles are changed once a week on the complete change ("cc") day, or more frequently if the water level becomes low.

Feed

- Feed is added to the feed compartment of the wire bar lid at cage change time and whenever the feed level is less than one third of the feeder capacity.
- Feed should not be mounded, it should be level with the top of the feed compartment.
- Expired feed should be discarded.

Bedding

- Hardwood chips are used as contact bedding, supplied approximately to a depth of 1/4" (approximately 1 3/4 cups of chips).
- Aspen is used as contact bedding in Moore, supplied approximately to a depth of 1/2" (approximately 1 1/2 cups of aspen).
- Exceptions need to be approved by the Operations Manager or veterinary staff.