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### Overview

This standard covers the ongoing maintenance of animal accommodation in a Home Office designated establishment. You must be able to keep the accommodation in a safe, secure and clean state for the animals. This includes monitoring environmental conditions, cleaning the accommodation, replacing, fixing or reporting any damaged items, disposing of waste and identifying any hazards.

You will be working under supervision to ensure that the health and welfare of the animals is maintained and that the necessary security is preserved.

This standard is for animal technologists and support staff who maintain animal accommodation in a Home Office designated establishment.

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#### Performance criteria

*You must be able to:*

- P1 use safe practices and appropriate personal protective equipment
- P2 maintain appropriate levels of hygiene and bio-security
- P3 maintain the welfare and security of animals during your work
- P4 prepare and use the necessary equipment and materials correctly
- P5 keep the accommodation in a safe, secure and clean state for the health and welfare of the animals
- P6 monitor environmental conditions to suit the needs of the animals and report as necessary
- P7 carry out cleaning and replenish bedding/substrate according to instructions
- P8 deal with waste safely and correctly in accordance with instructions
- P9 identify any hazards and report them to the appropriate person
- P10 identify any faulty or damaged fittings and take appropriate action
- P11 keep accurate and up-to-date records as required by relevant legislation and the organisation
- P12 comply with legislation relating to the care and welfare of animals in a Home Office designated establishment
- P13 carry out all work in accordance with relevant environmental and health and safety legislation, risk assessment requirements, codes of practice and company policies

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#### Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

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| K1  | the importance and correct use of personal protective equipment   |
| K2  | the importance of maintaining appropriate levels of hygiene and bio-security and how this can be achieved   |
| K3  | the welfare requirements of animals and how to maintain their health and well-being   |
| K4  | the environmental conditions as laid down in Home Office codes of practice  |
| K5  | how to monitor and control environmental conditions such as temperature, humidity, noise levels, light and water conditions and the actions to take if there are any problems               |
| K6  | the materials and bedding which animals need within their accommodation   |
| K7  | the types of equipment used for the maintenance of animal accommodation   |
| K8  | how to clean the accommodation correctly  |
| K9  | how to deal with the different types of waste produced by the activity  |
| K10 | the potential hazards which may arise in the animal's accommodation and how these should be reported or dealt with  |
| K11 | how to identify damaged or faulty fittings and the action to take   |
| K12 | appropriate records to be kept and their significance   |
| K13 | your responsibilities for the care and welfare of animals in a Home Office designated establishment under relevant animal welfare legislation, European directives and UK codes of practice |
| K14 | your responsibilities under relevant environmental and health and safety legislation, codes of practice and company policies  |

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