

Animal Use Competency Registration form

The Australian code for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes (8th Edition) requires that the Animal Ethics Committee must be satisfied that the investigators can competently perform the procedures to be undertaken in each project.

Competencies for each procedure to be carried out on animals must be registered with the Curtin Animal Welfare Officer for each person carrying out the procedures, prior to using the animal.

Competencies are valid for 4 years from the time of submission to the Animal Welfare Officer.

Competency Register

1. Fill out the Animal Use Competency form and submit it to the Animal Welfare Officer.
2. Provide evidence of animal use competencies. For example:
 - Letter from a previous employer stating the competency level in the procedure, including the approximate number of times the procedure had been carried out, when and where they were done.
 - Certificates of competency from previous training.
3. Attach a copy of your professional CV.

Techniques and Procedures

1. List the procedures that will be performed on animals in this project. These may include but not limited to procedures involving animals (laboratory and non-laboratory) such as:
 - Animal handling (species specific)
 - Minor conscious procedure
 - Surgery (minor and major with recovery)
 - Anaesthesia
 - Euthanasia
 - Trapping and tagging/banding of wildlife
 - Collection of blood or other tissue samples
2. Detailed descriptions of these procedures must be provided, or reference to an AEC approved SOP must be given.
3. Animal handling (species-specific) should be included as a separate procedure, even if it is an integral component of other procedures and therefore not listed elsewhere in the application as a procedure.
4. Please fill in the competency level as either '*Competent*' or '*Trainer*':
 - Competent - able to competently carry out the procedure
 - Trainer - able to competently carry out the procedure and also able teach the procedure to others

Applicant's details	
Name (include title):	
Curtin ID:	
School/Department	
Email:	
Highest Academic Qualification:	
Has this researcher completed the Animal Welfare Training – Module 1?	
<i>Researchers must complete this training prior to commencement of research and/or teaching involving animals.</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	No – please register for the Animal Welfare Training session
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes

Techniques and Procedures

Technique/Procedure	Species name	Species Code*	Competency Level (Competent or Trainer)	SOP number	Detailed description provided (if no SOP)	Evidence attached	Name of trainer	Signature of trainer
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*Please refer to the last page for the list of Species Codes.

Declaration		
<input type="checkbox"/> I have read the Australian code for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes (8th Edition). <small>(https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/guidelines-publications/ea28)</small>		
<input type="checkbox"/> I have attached a copy of my professional CV.		
<input type="checkbox"/> I have attached evidence of competency in procedures.		
Name	Signature	Date

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Signature of Animal Welfare Officer		Date:	
Notes:			

Species Categories

	Code	Species Category
Laboratory mammals	01	Mouse
	02	Rat
	03	Guinea Pig
	04	Rabbit
	06	Ferret
	07	Other laboratory mammal (not primates)
Domestic* mammals	10	Sheep
	11	Cow
	12	Pig
	13	Horse
	14	Goat
	15	Deer
	16	Cat
	17	Dog
Birds	20	Poultry*
	21	Exotic Captive
	22	Exotic* Wild
	23	Native* Captive
	24	Native Non-endemic*
Aquatic animals	25	Native endemic*
	30	Fish
	31	Cephalopod
	32	Whale and dolphin
	33	Dugong
Reptiles	34	Seal
	40	Lizard
	41	Snake
	42	Turtle/Tortoise - Freshwater
	43	Turtle/Tortoise - Marine
	44	Crocodile
	45	Other reptile

	Code	Species Category
Native mammals	50	Macropod
	51	Possums and gliders
	52	Native rats and mice
	53	Dasyurid
	54	Wombat
	55	Dingo
	56	Echidna
	57	Bandicoot
	58	Bilby
	59	Bat
Non - endemic pest mammals	60	Other native mammal
	70	Goat
	71	Camel
	72	Cat
	73	Rat
	74	Mouse
	75	Pig
	76	Rabbit
	77	Wild Dog (not dingo)
	78	Cow
	79	Horse
	80	Fox
Amphibians	81	Other non-endemic pest mammal
	90	Native amphibian
	91	Exotic amphibian
Zoo animals	100	Zoo animal
Primates	110	Marmoset
	111	Macaque
	112	Baboon
	113	Other primate

***Definitions of terms used:**

Domestic: any animal that has been tamed over a number of generations and has adapted to a human environment.

Native: an animal that occurs naturally in Australia (e.g. Kangaroo).

Native Non-endemic: an animal that occurs naturally in Australia but is not naturally occurring in Western Australia (e.g. Koalas).

Native endemic: an animal that occurs naturally in Western Australia (e.g. numbat or emu).

Poultry: domestic fowls, such as chickens, quails, turkeys, ducks or geese that are commonly raised for meat or eggs.

Exotic: an animal that has been introduced into Australia (e.g. foxes).

Zoo animals: an animal that is being kept in a zoo. Only include animals that are used for educational purposes. All other purposes require the appropriate species category.