

## **ANIMAL FACILITY**

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## TRANSPORT OF LABORATORY ANIMALS

The transport of animals from one place to another is very important and must be undertaken with care. The main considerations for transport of animals are, mode of transport, containers, animal density in cages, food and water during transit, protection from transit infections, injuries and stress

The mode of transport of animals depends on the distance, seasonal and climatic conditions and the species of animals. Animals can be transported by road, rail or air taking into consideration the above factors.

In any case the transport stress should be avoided and the containers should be of an appropriate size so as to enable these animals to have a comfortable, free movement and protection from possible injuries.

The food and water should be provided in suitable containers or in suitable form so as to ensure that they get adequate food and more particularly water during transit.

The transport containers (cages or crates) should be of appropriate size and 38 only a permissible number of animals should only be accommodated in each container to avoid overcrowding and infighting (Annexure - 4)

For Annexure - 4 click the link below:

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