



Inspection Report

Brandeis University
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Customer ID: **126**
Certificate: **14-R-0030**
Site: 001
BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION
Date: 23-JUL-2025

2.31(d)(1)(ii)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

IACUC approved Protocol #25008 did not provide a written narrative description of the methods and sources used to determine that alternatives were not available to a procedure that is included in the protocol that may cause more than momentary pain or distress to the animals (tracheostomy).

Per this Section, whenever a proposal for animal use contains procedures that may cause more than momentary pain or distress to the animals, the IACUC shall determine that: (1) the principal investigator has considered alternatives to those procedures and (2) that the principal investigator has provided a written narrative description of the methods and sources used to determine that alternatives were not available. These requirements ensure that all procedures contained in the protocol minimize discomfort, distress, and pain to the animals. The IACUC needs to address this item that was identified for this protocol. Correct by 8/25/25.

2.36(b)(3)

Annual report.

Protocol #25008 contains an IACUC approved exception from the provisions of the AWA under Subpart F Other Species Facilities, Indoor - Lighting. This exception to the lighting standard under the AWA that affected 8 ferrets was not reported by the research facility on their FY 24 Annual Report.

Per this Section, the annual report shall assure that the research facility is adhering to the standards and regulations under the Act, and that exceptions to the standards and regulations be specified and explained by the principal investigator and approved by the IACUC. A summary of all such IACUC-approved exceptions must be attached to the facility's annual report that includes a brief explanation of the exceptions, as well as the species and number of animals affected. Correct by (1) submitting a corrected FY 24 Annual Report to USDA that includes a summary of the exception with number of animals affected by 8/25/25 and (2) including any IACUC approved exceptions on future USDA annual reports from this date 7/23/25 forward.

This inspection and exit briefing were conducted with facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
126	14-R-0030	001	BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY	23-JUL-2025

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000005	<i>Mustela putorius furo</i>	DOMESTIC FERRET
000005	Total	