



Inspection Report

Nicholls State University
DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY
P.O. BOX 2021
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Customer ID: **1391**
Certificate: **72-R-0013**
Site: 001
NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 05-JUN-2024

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Sanitation.

Two rabbits are housed in stainless-steel stacked enclosures with slatted floors which are covered with an accumulation of dust and loose rabbit fur. When discussing cleaning and sanitation with the facility representative, he indicated the cage pan liners underneath the slatted floors are discarded and replaced weekly; however, the primary stainless-steel enclosures are only sanitized via power washing every 6 to 12 months. Primary enclosures that are not sanitized properly may accumulate dust, fecal and urine waste products, and bacterial agents which may contribute to health issues in the rabbits such as gastrointestinal and respiratory illness. Primary enclosures for rabbits must be sanitized every 30 days by washing with hot water (180F) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer, or by washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution followed by a safe and effective disinfectant and rinse, or by cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam or flame.

Correct by June 12, 2024 by ensuring primary enclosures for the rabbits are sanitized by one of the methods mentioned above and remain on a schedule of sanitation that occurs at least once every 30 days.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	Total	