

Title: PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)	SOP #: GF-2
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PURPOSE:

To describe the appropriate use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) by anyone entering the vivarium to ensure protection from health and safety hazards..

PROCEDURES:

ENTERING VIVARIUM:

1. Don shoe covers or dedicated shoes provided at entrances to the vivarium.

ENTERING ROOMS:

1. Check PPE signage on doors for appropriate PPE requirements.
2. Find PPE in cabinets in halls, boxes near room doors, and within rooms.

Standard Housing Rooms:

1. Don facemask
2. For observations only: nothing additional is required.
3. To handle cages, animals, or bedding: don disposable gloves, lab coat
4. To change cages: don disposable gloves, lab coat, Tyvek sleeves (recommended)

ABSL-2 Housing Rooms:

1. Don facemask
2. For observations only: don outer booties, disposable gloves, lab coat.
3. To handle cages, animals, or bedding: don outer booties, 2nd pair disposable gloves, lab coat
4. To change cages: don outer booties, 2nd pair disposable gloves, lab coat, Tyvek sleeves (recomm.)

Standard Procedure Rooms:

1. Don facemask
2. For observations only: nothing additional is required.
3. To handle cages, animals, or bedding: don disposable gloves, lab coat

ABSL-2 Procedure Rooms:

1. Don facemask
2. For observations only: don outer booties, disposable gloves, lab coat.
3. To handle cages, animals, or bedding: don outer booties, 2nd pair disposable gloves, lab coat

Necropsy Rooms

1. Don facemask, outer booties, lab coat
2. To handle cages, animals, or bedding: add 2nd pair disposable gloves

USDA Surgery Rooms:

1. Don facemask, outer booties, lab coat

EXITING ROOMS:

1. Check PPE signage on doors for appropriate PPE disposal.

Most Rooms:

1. Discard used gloves and Tyvek sleeves in covered trash can near exit.

2. Hang up disposable lab coat on hook in room if not dirty. Discard in trash can if dirty.

ABSL-2 Housing and Procedure Rooms:

1. Discard used gloves, outer booties, and Tyvek sleeves in covered trash can near exit.
2. Hang up disposable lab coat on hook in room if not dirty. Discard in trash can if dirty.

Necropsy Rooms:

1. Discard used gloves, outer booties, and lab coat in trash can near exit.

USDA Surgery Rooms:

1. Discard used gloves. Other PPE removal is optional.

EXITING VIVARIUM:

Within building (to loading dock, office, cafeteria):

1. Wear coat or jacket over scrubs.
2. Wear booties over facility shoes, or change into street shoes

Leaving for the day:

1. Discard booties or remove facility shoes at exit.
2. Change back into street clothes and shoes.