

Wright State University
CLASSIFIED JOB SPECIFICATION
Lab Animal Technician, Assistant

I. JOB INFORMATION

Job Title: Lab Animal Technician, Assistant (CS 12)

Job Class: 71211

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

II. JOB SUMMARY

Under immediate supervision provides care for laboratory animals, performs general health evaluations of research animals and maintains records.

III. PRIMARY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Cleans animal cages, racks, watering devices and disposes of waste in accordance with established guidelines.
- Operates cage washer, tunnel washer, autoclave, incinerator, and other equipment.
- Performs routine cleaning and sanitization of animal rooms, equipment, corridors, and support areas in compliance with written standard operating procedures.
- Handles and restrains animals by using appropriate techniques.
- Observes animal appearance and behavior. Reports any subtle changes.
- Receives and stores food and bedding in accordance with established guidelines.
- Provides assistance during special procedures that facilitate research and/or clinical activities.
- Transports experimental animals, caging, supplies, and equipment to various sites.

Note: This is not an inclusive list of duties and responsibilities.

IV. MINIMUM EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

A high-school diploma or GED and one year (FT) related work experience OR, two years of post-secondary education and six months of related work experience (FT). Related work experience working with animals in a research or clinical veterinary environment. Knowledge of applicable rules and regulations involving the husbandry of laboratory animals. Must be able to review, comprehend, and comply with all standard operating procedures.

V. WORKING CONDITIONS

There are conditions, equipment and materials, present which require proper handling to ensure safety. Requires moderate physical effort to include frequent lifting of up to 50 pounds. Frequent walking, bending, and standing. May be required to work on weekends and holidays.

VI. WSU TESTING/EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED

None

VII. CERTIFICATIONS OR LICENSURE(S) REQUIRED*

Must possess a valid United States driver's license for at least one year and maintain eligibility to operate University motor vehicles. Obtaining an Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician certification from the American Association for Laboratory Animal Science within eighteen (18) months of employment is a requirement for continuing employment.

VIII. JOB SERIES

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This specification is intended to illustrate the level of complexity and kinds of job duties that may be assigned to positions with this classification title, and should not be interpreted to describe all the duties that may be included in a job description.