

# Animal Care Services Normal Housing Parameters

SPECIES	CAGING	FOOD	WATER	LIGHT CYCLE	TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	BEDDING	ENRICHMENT
<b>MICE</b>	Ventilated racks – filter top boxes	Pico Rodent Diet 5053 (irradiated) OR Lab Diet Rodent 5001	Bottle or automated water	12 hour light/ 12 hour dark	20-25 degrees Celsius	40% – 65%	Corn cob bedding and a nestlet	Hut/ Nylabone
<b>RATS</b>	Wire top rat cages	Pico Rodent Diet 5053 (irradiated) OR Lab Diet Rodent 5001	Bottle	12 hour light/ 12 hour dark	20-25 degrees Celsius	40% – 65%	Corn cob bedding and Biofresh	Tube or Hut/ Nylabone
<b>RABBITS</b>	Rabbit rack	Rabbit Pellets	Automated water	12 hour light/ 12 hour dark	18-22 degrees Celsius	40% – 65%	Plastic grid bottom (shavings in playpen)	Toys/Greens/Fruit/ Playpen
<b>Aquatic</b>	Standard glass aquariums or fiberglass round tanks	Commercially available pellets.  Krill, algae.	11, 12 15, 22, 24 degree “Facility freshwater recirculating system”.  12 degree “Facility flowthrough freshwater system”.  11 degree Facility recirculating saltwater system.	12/12	11, 12 15, 22, 24 degree “Facility freshwater recirculating system”.  12 degree “Facility flowthrough freshwater system”.  11 degree Facility recirculating saltwater system	100%		