



Texas A&M University Classification Specifications

5056

CMP TRAINING TECHNICIAN

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SUMMARY

General Description: Acts as a trainer and follow-up to CMP Laboratory animal care personnel in their respective areas of hire at all CMP animal housing facilities, documenting training, and reporting results of training to the CMP Training Division Coordinator and assisting with other training functions as required.

DUTIES

Typical: Acts as a trainer with duties to include training laboratory animal care personnel in facility and equipment maintenance and sanitation; recognizing, set-up, cleaning and maintenance of laboratory animal caging and related laboratory animal equipment; reporting malfunctioning equipment; operating cage washing equipment and autoclaves; properly documenting sanitation and maintenance of assigned areas; husbandry and care of conventional, specific pathogen free (SPF), biohazard contained, barrier reared laboratory animal species and specialized breeding colonies; accurate daily observations of animals and environmental parameters; animal feeding, watering and restraint techniques; observing all laboratory animals in assigned work area and proper reporting of all sick/injured/distressed animals; screening new laboratory animals prior to introduction into colonies; housing new arrival animal orders; documenting and reporting discrepancies and health concerns with new animal arrivals; isolation and quarantine methods for infected animals; euthanasia techniques and carcass disposal; ensuring that safety standards are being maintained; assists with the creation, review, and editing of standard operating procedures (SOPs); observes and implements policies and procedures to facilitate unit/department operations that are consistent with legal and organizational guidelines; ensures compliance with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations; assists with updating training records of laboratory animal care personnel; ensures that records are maintained in conformance to institutional policies, as well as regulatory and government directives; reviews and reports on record keeping procedures; assists with CMP New Employee Orientations and training workshops; participates and assists with training and continuing education activities as required by federal guidelines and accreditation standards; works rotational weekends and holidays providing animal husbandry care; attends to animal caretaker and staff meetings as required; performs related duties as required.

SUPERVISION

Received: General instruction and periodic review from supervisor.

Given: None.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Required: High school graduation or any equivalent combination of training and experience. Three years laboratory animal care experience with required education or 2.5 years of laboratory animal care experience with any two-year Associate Degree or two years of laboratory animal care experience any four year college degree or American Association of Laboratory Animal Science (AALAS) Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician (ALAT) certification plus one additional year laboratory animal care experience after receiving certification. Successful completion of a formal Laboratory Animal Science Course may substitute for three months of laboratory animal care experience.

Preferred: None.

LICENSES, CERTIFICATES OR REGISTRATION

Required: Valid driver's license and good driving record. Must be able to obtain State of Texas class "C" vehicle operator's license within 30 days of employment.

Preferred: American Association for Laboratory Animal Science Laboratory Animal Technician (LAT) certification.

EQUIPMENT

Typical: Use of autoclave, electric cart, floor scrubber, rack washer, tunnel washer and computer.

KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

Typical: Oral and written communication skills. Organizational skills. Computer knowledge and skills. Ability to work with and coach animal caretakers.