

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ANIMAL PROCUREMENT FROM NIPER

1. Small laboratory animals may be supplied for the research purpose on request to outside CPCSEA registered establishments in case of availability. The animals are generally supplied against the advance payment in the form of demand draft drawn in favour of Director, NIPER payable at any nationalized banks either at Mohali or Chandigarh.
2. Animals shall be transferred to outside registered establishment subject to the submission of the following documents only
 - i) Order/Request letter from the Officer In-Charge of Animal Facility/Principal Investigator (PI) approved by the Head or authorized signatory of the establishment to In-charge, Central Animal Facility, NIPER. While ordering please specify the following information such as Species, Strain/breed, Sex, Age and/or weight range and number of animals required and date on which the animals to be supplied, contact numbers and e-mail address of indentor/buyer and details (name, ID card No, phone number) of the representative person(s) who is coming to receive the animals from NIPER etc.
 - ii) Copy of the CPCSEA registration letter of establishment/recent renewal letter if applicable
 - iii) Copy of Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) clearance certificate specifying the number of animals approved, date and duration of approval etc in case of research protocol
 - iv) Undertaking from Officer In-charge, Animal facility **and** Principal Investigator/Guide/HOD stating that the animals ordered against the approved protocol(s) have not been earlier procured from any other source and are not exceeding the number of animals approved by IAEC. Further, the animals shall be transported and later maintained in a facility with basic infrastructure as per CPCSEA guidelines, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India. In addition, mention that you are already aware and agree to all the general terms and conditions of animal procurement from NIPER as displayed in NIPER website.
3. The animals can be collected from our central animal facility at any working days (except Saturday, Sunday and holidays) between 10 A.M. to 4.00 PM (for outsiders) after prior confirmation on the animal availability and date of collection from us.
4. The indentor/buyer has to make their own arrangement for the collection, packaging and transportation of the animals as per the CPCSEA guidelines.
5. Please ensure to bring appropriate size and adequate number of transport cages and come as early as in the morning hours to finish off the formalities associated with animal supply and also ensure that the animals being collected are as per the specifications as requested before leaving our facility.

6. Institute will not be responsible for any death, injury or reduction in number of animals or escape of animals etc once they leave our facility. Requests for free replacement of animals or refund of cost will not be entertained. It is entirely the responsibility of buyer/indentor for the proper care and other consequences if any (including on transit) once the animals are received and taken out of our facility.
7. The price of animals is subject to revision periodically without prior notice. As soon as the animals are received at your facility, please transfer them to clean cages and feed clean water *ad-libitum*. Transportation is a stress on animals. Therefore it is advisable to use the animals for experimentation only after an acclimatization period of 7 to 15 days in the new environment.

We would greatly appreciate if you send the feed-back on the quality of animals supplied by us in terms of experimental results and research publications if any which would also help in monitoring the quality of animals.

REQUEST / ORDER FOR ANIMALS MAY PLEASE BE SUBMITTED TO

In-Charge

Central Animal Facility

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