

Examples of OLAW (Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare) reportable situations:

1. conditions that jeopardize the health or well-being of animals, including natural disasters, accidents, and mechanical failures, resulting in actual harm or death to animals;
2. conduct of animal-related activities without appropriate IACUC review and approval;
3. failure to adhere to IACUC-approved protocols;
4. implementation of any significant change to IACUC-approved protocols without prior IACUC approval;
5. conduct of animal-related activities beyond the expiration date established by the IACUC (note that a complete review is required at least once every three years);
6. participation in animal-related activities by individuals who have not been determined by the IACUC to be appropriately qualified and trained;
7. failure to monitor animals post-procedurally as necessary to ensure well-being (e.g., during recovery from anesthesia or during recuperation from invasive or debilitating procedures);
8. failure to maintain appropriate animal-related records (e.g., identification, medical, husbandry);
9. failure to ensure death of animals after euthanasia procedures (e.g., failed euthanasia with CO₂);
10. IACUC suspension or other institutional intervention that results in the temporary or permanent interruption of an activity due to noncompliance with the Policy, Animal Welfare Act, the Guide, or the institution's Animal Welfare Assurance.