

<b>REGULATED FACILITIES</b>	<p>Certain facilities conducting research are regulated under the Animal Welfare Act. [1.1]</p>
	<p>A facility conducting regulated research activities on regulated animals is required to be registered as a research facility.</p> <p>A facility includes, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• school (see exemptions below)</li> <li>• institution</li> <li>• organization</li> <li>• person</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: A school conducting a veterinary technician training program must be registered if the facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• owns and house regulated animals</li> <li>• conducts experimental procedures or research on regulated animals, regardless of who owns or houses the animals</li> </ul>
<b>Exemptions</b>	<p>The following facilities are <b>exempt</b> from the registration requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• elementary schools [1.1]</li> <li>• secondary schools [1.1]</li> <li>• research facilities using only non-covered animals [1.1]</li> <li>• Federal research facilities</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: Federal research facilities must establish an IACUC and comply with Section 2.31. However, the IACUC reports deficiencies to the head of the Federal agency. [2.37]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• veterinary technician training programs that meet the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ all the regulated animals used are owned, housed, and treated at a private animal shelter</li> <li>▶ all procedures are carried out on adoptable animals</li> <li>▶ the procedures are normally done to the shelter animals, regardless of their participation in the training program</li> <li>▶ the procedures are accepted veterinary or husbandry practices</li> <li>▶ all the procedures are done at the shelter</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- ▶ no research is conducted on the animals
- ▶ the students are under the supervision of or directed by, as appropriate for the procedure being conducted:
  - R a veterinarian
  - R a licensed veterinary technician
  - R the shelter manager, or
  - R the shelter staff

A facility conducting research on a minimal number of animals other than dogs and cats may request an exemption from the registration requirement. The exemption request must:

- be in writing
- contain the details of the protocol
- justify why an exemption should be granted
- explain how the design of the protocol meets the intent of the AWA
- contain information on the facility's past and possibly future research activities
- give the name of any Federal funding source, if applicable
- be sent to the appropriate Animal Care Regional Office