

## **ANIMAL USE AND CARE REQUIREMENTS**

- A manuscript containing information that suggests that animals were subjected to adverse, stressful or harsh conditions or treatments will not be considered for publication by AJTCVM.

- All research studies involving animals must have been performed in compliance with guidelines outlined in:

- The Animal Welfare Act ([https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_welfare/downloads/bluebook-ac-awa.pdf](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_welfare/downloads/bluebook-ac-awa.pdf))
- United States Public Health Service Policy on the Humane Care and Use of Laboratory
- Animals (<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/references/phspol.htm>)
- The Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals
- (<http://oacu.od.nih.gov/regs/guide/guide4.htm>)
- The Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Agricultural Research and Teaching ([https://www.asas.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/aggguide\\_4th.pdf?sfvrsn=56b44ed1\\_2](https://www.asas.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/aggguide_4th.pdf?sfvrsn=56b44ed1_2))

or equivalent guidelines from other countries.

- Authors from countries other than the United States may be asked to submit the animal use and care guidelines from their country.

- Manuscripts describing studies that involved the use of animals, including studies that involved the use of privately owned animals, animals owned by clients, staff members, students, or private entities, must include:

- a statement that the study protocol was reviewed and approved by an appropriate oversight committee, an animal care and use committee or institutional review board
- or was performed in compliance with institutional guidelines for research on animals.

- Manuscripts describing prospective studies that involved privately owned animals must include a statement indicating that owner consent was obtained.