

UC Davis Office of the Attending Veterinarian Standard Of Care

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Title: Cleaning Of Uniforms and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- I. Purpose: To Identify appropriate methods for cleaning personal protective equipment (PPE) and uniforms used in research and teaching animal care and research.

- II. Policy: Uniforms and washable PPE Clothing/Items will be laundered on site or by a commercial laundry service contracted by the University. Uniforms may be shirts and pants, scrubs, coveralls or other clothing worn at work and provided by the University. PPE may consist of cloth lab coats or other outer clothing used/worn while working with biomedical research and teaching animals.

- III. Procedure: Animal Units will provide uniforms and PPE as needed for their staff to safely conduct animal care, veterinary care and research.
 - Animal care units will provide laundry services in the form of dedicated washers and dryers on site or contract with a commercial service that can provide appropriate cleaning of soiled uniforms and washable PPE Items
 - University provided Uniforms and PPE will not be laundered at home or in public Laundromats.
 - Goggles and other re-wearable/reusable PPE should be cleaned as appropriate for the item and discarded when no longer serviceable
 - All PPE needed by the employee to work safely, including those items prescribed by the Occupational Health Physician for work related/aggravated allergies or sensitivities (for example an N-95) will be provided by the University, including screening and fitting.
 - Disposable PPE shall similarly be discarded if it becomes non-usable during use, for example: Tears or other breaches or visible soiling of gowns/disposable lab coats.
 - i. A change put interval shall be established for disposable gowns or other items that may be worn. For example: weekly change out of in room disposable lab coats.