



INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE

Policy on random source and/or “class B” dogs and cats

The University of South Alabama does not procure dogs or cats (alive or dead) from random source¹ or Class B² dealers unless:

1. The use of these animals and/or tissues is scientifically justified **AND**
2. Approved by the IACUC.

This is a formal statement of USA policy that is currently in effect and represents the university’s official position on use of random source and Class B dealer acquired dogs and cats as reported to the USDA, the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care, International (AAALAC), and the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS).

¹ *Random source: Acquired from a pound, shelter, auction, or veterinarian.*

² *Class B licensee: Person whose business includes the “purchase and resale” of an Animal Welfare Act covered animal. The source for these animals is typically “random” as defined above. The animals are “conditioned” by the broker before resale.*