(PREVIEW)

Indian Standard CODE FOR BREEDING, CARE, MANAGEMENT AND HOUSING OF LABORATORY ANIMALS PART II LABORATORY RABBITS (First Revision)

0. FOREWORD

0-1 This Indian Standard (Part II) (First Revision) was .adopted by **the** Indian Standards Institution on 26 September 1979, after the draft finalized by the Live Animals Sectional Committee had been approved by the Agricultural and Food Products Division Council.

0.2 Laboratory animals bred and maintained scientifically are necessary to get comparable results in biological experiments. The present Code, therefore, lays down guidelines for breeding, care, management and housing of laboratory rabbits so that a large number of animals of uniform quality are available. It is hoped that the code will streamline and step up facilities for pharmaceutical, pesticide and biologically-oriented research.

0.3 This standard was first published in 1970. The present revision incorporates a number of modifications, namely, (a) cage sizes for different sizes of animals, (b) maximum population per cage has been reduced, (c) areas in percentages for different sections of animal house have been recommended, and (d) various provisions of the standard have been reviewed thoroughly and made more comprehensive, based on the experience gained in the country.

0.4 For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with, the final value, observed or. calculated, expressing the results of a test or analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS : 2-1960*. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value should be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

1. SCOPE

1.1 This code (Part II) prescribes optimum conditions for housing, sanitation, personnel hygiene, feeding, watering, disease control, etc, in relation to care, breeding and management of laboratory rabbits.