



Job Title: Animal Care Technician
Department: Animal Care
Reports to: Animal Care Team Leader/Supervisor/Manager
FLSA Status:
Pay Grade:

JOB SUMMARY:

Animal Care Technicians monitor and report animal welfare to appropriate staff member. Animal Care Technicians are responsible for the feeding and watering of animals, as well as cleaning and maintaining various types of primate enclosures. Animal Care technicians are also called to catch or move animals and perform other tasks as assigned.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Animal Care technician must be able to perform the following tasks with minimum supervision:

- At all times consider the welfare of the animals.
- Feed primates in corrals, gang cages, single cages and other types of enclosures
- Ensure that animals have free access to water
- Rake and cut grass in primate outdoor enclosures
- Power wash and disinfect cages, racks, floors, perches, jungle gym, etc
- Maintain all areas of animal enclosures which may include removal of dirt, debris, rock, and bedding.
- Use cleaning chemicals safely and according to labels
- Catch and restrain strong animals safely
- Look out for diseased or injured animals and immediately report to veterinary division
- Keep records of various husbandry tasks performed
- Follow Company Standard Operating Procedures
- Prepare, clean and give out enrichment items when needed
- Other duties as assigned
- Must be available to work weekends and holidays when needed
- Must be team oriented, and willing to work across institutional divisions in a professional and courteous manner
- Communicate questions, repairs, animal injuries, etc.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:

None

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES REQUIRED:

- Good organizational skills
- Basic verbal, written, and math skills
- Ability to work in a team environment
- Ability to work unsupervised

EDUCATION:

High School diploma/GED

CERTIFICATIONS, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS:

South Carolina Driver's License or equivalent

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

Must be able to read and write, and interpret documents including task descriptions, standard operating procedures, and other instructions.

REASONING ABILITY:

Able to apply common sense understanding to carry out instructions furnished in written, oral, or diagram form.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job, with or without reasonable accommodations. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand, walk, lift, and reach. The employee is occasionally required to climb or balance and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities include close vision, distance vision, peripheral vision, and, depth perception and ability to adjust focus. Additionally, the employee must be able to distinguish colors.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job, with or without reasonable accommodations. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly exposed to wet and/or inclement weather, including cold, heat with high humidity, and precipitation. The noise level is usually moderate.