



Tail Trap

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What happened?

- A mouse was found with its tail trapped on the 27th November 2022 between the cage base and lid.

Why did we have to report it?

- PEL 4 (1): Failure to provide adequate care for the animals.

What did we learn?

LO-1: When the team perform dosing administrations a 360° check of the cage is completed before it is returned to the rack.

LO-2: The cage was returned to 30 minutes later to perform a health check. This required another 360° check of the cage.

LO-3: Staff felt the workload was high, and this led to rushing to complete work.

What did we change?

- UBS is exploring the potential of mice becoming trapped as a result of the cage design.
- Review the current SOPs for 360° check to ensure the robustness of wording supports the capturing of potential traps.

PEL Standard Conditions

4(1)

All protected animals must at all times be provided with adequate care and accommodation appropriate to their type or species.