MU Transportation Check-Off Sheet for Rats, Mice and Rabbits

All transportation of animals should be planned to minimize transit time and the risk of zoonoses, protect against environmental extremes, avoid overcrowding, provide food and water, and protect against physical trauma. Individuals involved in the transport of animals must be an approved user on an active MU IACUC approved animal use protocol and must be familiar with the MU Animal Transportation Guidelines. Individuals transporting rabbits must be familiar with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 9, Chapter 1, Part 3-Standards, Subpart C, sections 3.61-3.66.

Temperature:
The vehicle used to transport animals on protocol # ________________ has the following:

☐ Working heating system
☐ Working air conditioning system

Care must be taken to maintain temperatures inside the vehicle between 68°F - 79°F. Animals will not be transported when temperatures inside the vehicle could reach below 45°F or above 85°F. Auxiliary ventilation, such as fans, blowers, or air conditioners shall be used for transporting rabbits when the ambient temperature in the cargo space is 75°F or higher.

Handling:
This is a One-Way or Round-Trip (circle one)

If this is a round-trip, have you notified the ARC staff when the animals will return?

☐ YES ☐ NO – Notify ARC immediately

Date of transport: ________________ Date of return: ________________

Have you been trained in operating procedures for use of the quarantine room if animals return to MU?

☐ YES ☐ NO

The trip will be repeated in the future: ☐ NO ☐ YES If yes, how often?

Future Dates of transport:

Future Dates of return:

Animals will be traveling from ________________ to ________________.

Maximum total transport time is estimated at ________.

Please read and initial each of the following conditions:

_____ During transportation, animal cages will not be tossed, dropped, tilted at an extreme angle, stacked in a manner that could cause a decrease in air ventilation or cause injury due to falling, or handled in any manner that could result in injury to the animals.

_____ Animals will not be left unattended in the vehicle. Rabbits and rodents must be observed at least every 4 hours in transport.

_____ Animals will be supplied with water. The water bottles will be turned spout-up to prevent water bottle leakage or spillage during actual transport. Rabbits must have access to food/water if transported for more than 6 hours. Water bottles will be righted upon reaching the destination.

_____ Rabbits will be transported in compliance with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 9, Chapter 1, Part 3-Standards, Subpart C, sections 3.61-3.66.

Date ________________ Signature ________________ Print Name ________________

Please return this form to the ARC