

Directive 2010/63/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2010 on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER IV
AUTHORISATION

Section 1

Requirements for breeders, suppliers and users

Article 33

Care and accommodation

- 1 Member States shall, as far as the care and accommodation of animals is concerned, ensure that:
 - a all animals are provided with accommodation, an environment, food, water and care which are appropriate to their health and well-being;
 - b any restrictions on the extent to which an animal can satisfy its physiological and ethological needs are kept to a minimum;
 - c the environmental conditions in which animals are bred, kept or used are checked daily;
 - d arrangements are made to ensure that any defect or avoidable pain, suffering, distress or lasting harm discovered is eliminated as quickly as possible; and
 - e animals are transported under appropriate conditions.
- 2 For the purposes of paragraph 1, Member States shall ensure that the care and accommodation standards set out in Annex III are applied from the dates provided for therein.
- 3 Member States may allow exemptions from the requirements of paragraph 1(a) or paragraph 2 for scientific, animal-welfare or animal-health reasons.