

Aquatic Enrichment



ENVIRONMENTAL ENRICHMENT

Housing/Environment: (Tank)

Structural Enrichment: *Xenopus Laevis* tanks are set-up with plant enrichment. Large tanks are set-up with plant enrichment and polycarbonate structures (amber or red tunnels). *Tropicalis Laevis* Tanks are set-up with lilly-pad enrichment



Sensory: Aside from water, no sensory enrichment is provided for this species



Manipulanda: Aside from structural enrichment, no other manipulanda is offered

Nutritional: Aside from standard feed (Aside from standard feed (Purina Lab Diet® Frog Diet), no other nutritional enrichment is used as a standard for this species. Additional food items should be approved prior to use.



SOCIAL HOUSING

Animals should be procured in pairs or groups and as a standard and are housed socially within the guidelines for space in standard CCM tanks

EXERCISE

Exercise is not applicable for this species, however larger tanks are used to house in larger densities and can promote increased physical activity.

Enrichment Standards

Frog enrichment will be tested on training frogs prior to use with colony frogs to ensure usage, safety, practicality and durability

According to the Enhancement Policy; No animal is exempt from all forms of environmental enrichment and any exemptions to social housing or exercise should be considered for only the minimal amount of time or restriction necessary.

Modifications to this SOP must be approved by the CCM Enrichment Program Manager following the criteria of the exemption plan

If Enrichment used is out side of the standard, contact CCM Enrichment Personnel.