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Rabbit ID# _____ Arrival Date: _____

Animal vendors generally feed a different diet than CLAC and rabbits are sensitive to sudden diet changes, resulting in anorexia and/or diarrhea. To avoid this unnecessary stress on the rabbits, feed changes are made gradually over a period of 7 days. This is done by mixing a small amount of the new diet with the old on the first day and gradually increasing the proportion of new diet over the next 7 days.

New Rabbit Feeding Program

Date	Day	Feed Ration	Water	Urine & feces present?	Tech Initials
	Day 1	No Food	Water bottles or Automatic watering		
	Day 2	5grams (.18oz) of CLAC rabbit chow 20grams (.71oz) rabbit supplier chow	Water bottles or Automatic watering		
	Day 3	15grams (.53oz) of CLAC rabbit chow 35grams (1.23oz) rabbit supplier chow	Water bottles or Automatic watering		
	Day 4	25grams (.88oz) of CLAC rabbit chow 50grams (1.76oz) rabbit supplier chow	Water bottles or Automatic watering		
	Day 5	50grams (1.76oz) of CLAC rabbit chow 50grams (1.76oz) rabbit supplier chow	Water bottles or Automatic watering		
	Day 6	75 grams (2.65oz) of CLAC rabbit chow 25 grams of rabbit supplier chow	Water bottles or Automatic watering		
	Day 7	125grams (4.4oz) of CLAC rabbit chow 0 grams rabbit supplier chow	Water bottles or Automatic watering		