**Research on Animals**

Animals have the freedom to experience all of the following

* proper and sufficient food and water
* adequate shelter
* the opportunity to display normal patterns of behaviour
* appropriate physical handling
* protection from, and rapid diagnosis of, injury and disease.

Ethics approval is required for a “**manipulation**” of an animal. Manipulation means doing something to the animal which is different to normal i.e., giving it different food, running it through a maze, making it wear clothes or shoes. Observation of an animal’s behaviour in their normal environment is not a manipulation.

Students should be considering the **Five Freedoms** for all animals being used whether ethics approval is needed or not and should be encouraged to fill in a diary of care.

Students should fill in the flow chart to decide whether or not ethics approval is required.

**Ethics approval** and further information can be gained through the following web addresses:

Animal Ethics: <https://nzase.org.nz/animal-ethics/apply-for-animal-ethics-approval/>

The Committee meets to consider applications. Please ensure that your application is submitted at least 2 weeks **before**the Committee meets. **Approval is required before any work commences. See the following website to dates and details.** <https://nzase.org.nz/animal-ethics/apply-for-animal-ethics-approval/>