

Bioprotection Plan: Reptiles and Amphibians

Prior to arrival:

Xenopus spp. must arrive from an approved vendor with appropriate testing performed and should be free of *Mycobacterium* spp.

Upon arrival:

Wild-caught reptiles are encouraged to be sprayed with an appropriate topical product to remove ectoparasites upon arrival. Any obvious parasites such as ticks should be physically removed. It is also recommended to treat them for endoparasites within the first week of arrival.

Wild-caught amphibians should have any obvious ectoparasites physically removed upon arrival. Treatment for endoparasites may be indicated.

Animal care staff should evaluate the animals as they are unpacked and if any animals are found with health issues, LAP veterinary staff should be notified.

Preventative Maintenance Plan:

Daily: Observations

Monthly: Report census and morbidity/mortality to LAP veterinary staff