

## Animals-Adding Rearing Information

How to add and update the method of rearing to an animal record in ZIMS.

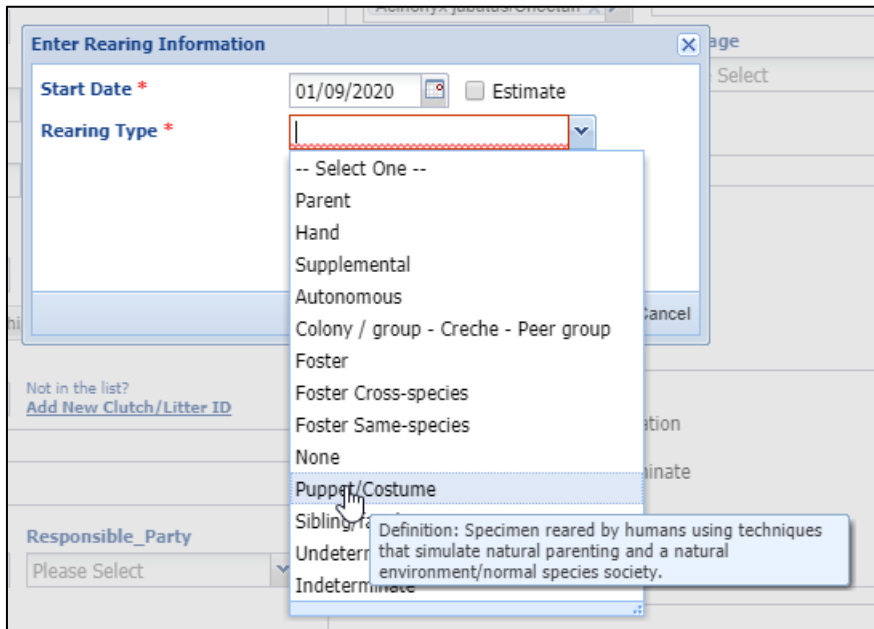
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IMPORTANT NOTE! Although Rearing is not a required field in the ZIMS Husbandry module it is a very important piece of information to capture on many species such as Primates whose parenting skills are often influenced by their own method of Rearing. In addition, Rearing is a required field in the ZIMS Studbooks module. Whenever possible, please try to include Rearing in your animal records.

When recording a new accession into ZIMS, Rearing is greyed out on the right hand side (left). To activate the field, check the box (right).

The image shows two screenshots of a ZIMS form for an animal record. Both screenshots show the following fields: Taxonomy (Acinonyx jubatus/Cheetah), Sex Type (Female), Taxonomy\_Determination (Please Select), and Life Stage (Please Select). In the top screenshot, the 'Record Rearing Information' checkbox is unchecked and greyed out. In the bottom screenshot, the 'Record Rearing Information' checkbox is checked, and the text 'Record Rearing Information' is no longer greyed out.

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Record the date the Rearing started (usually for new accessions this would be the Birth/Hatch Date). The Rearing Type is a single Select Data Standard. Hover over to see the definition of each Type.

To add a Rearing to a record that had no Rearing recorded, or to records a new Rearing Type, open the animal record > Details Tab > Rearing Grid > Actions Menu > Add New.

**Edit Rearing Detail**

**Start Date \***  
02/06/2016 00:00  Estimate

**End Date**  
  Estimate

**Rearing Type \***  
Hand

**Details**

Note Templates

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Mother rejected

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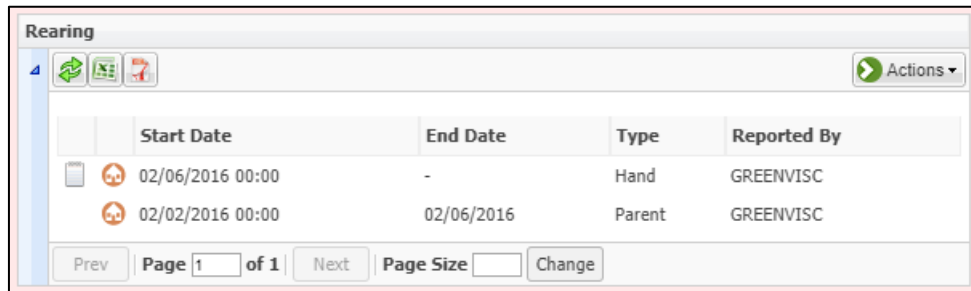
Record the Start Date and Time if desired. If you are catching up on Historical records you may also be able to record the End Date. Select the Rearing Type from the dropdown list and add notes as desired.



The new record will be displayed in the grid.

	Start Date	End Date	Type	Reported By
	02/06/2016 00:00	-	Hand	GREENVISC
	02/02/2016 00:00	-	Parent	GREENVISC

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Note that ZIMS did not automatically record an End Date for the initial Rearing Type. This is because there may be more than one Type of Rearing going on at the same time. An example may be an infant gorilla who is primarily getting its nutrition from the mother (Parent) but is also receiving additional feedings due to low milk production of the dam (Supplemental). In our example though, the mother rejected the infant and the Parent Rearing Date should be ended. Highlight the Parent record and select Actions > View/Edit selected. This is also how you would edit any data in the Rearing entry. Add the End Date. The grid now displays the Rearing flow correctly.



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To Delete a Rearing record that was entered by your institution highlight the record and select Actions > Delete Selected. Remember that you cannot Edit/Delete a Rearing record recorded by another institution.

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