Do I Need SRC Approval BEFORE I Can Begin My Project?

Some projects may fall under the rules of more than one category listed below.

Human Subjects

Does your project involve . . . asking your friends or other people questions? experiments on yourself? experiments with people in any way?

Yes →

No ↓

Vertebrate Animals

Does your project involve . . . your pet? any other animals that have bones (except people)?

Yes →

No ↓

Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents

Does your project involve . . . mold or other fungus? bacteria? viruses? anything that might make you sick? cultured samples collected from the environment? (Microorganisms)

Does your project involve . . . DNA from one organism inserted into the DNA of another organism? (rDNA)

Does your project involve . . . anything coming from a human or animal body? cheek cells or other cells? teeth? bone? fluids such as blood, saliva or urine? (Tissues)

Yes →

No ↓

Hazardous Chemicals, Activities and Devices

Does your project involve . . . any chemical such as household cleaning agents, solvents, metals or organic chemicals? (Chemicals)

Does your project involve . . . dangerous activities, such as being on a roof? or igniting objects? (Hazardous Activities)

Does your project involve . . model rockets? Laser? UV light? radiation? guns or gunpowder? or anything else that might be considered dangerous or hazardous? (Hazardous Devices)

Does your project involve . . . prescription drugs? alcohol, wine or beer? cigarettes or other tobacco? gunpowder? any product which the student may not legally purchase? (Controlled Substances)

Yes or No ↓

You do not need SRC pre-approval. You may begin working on the experimental portion of your project at any time. Make sure you note your start date on Form 1A.

You must have SRC pre-approval. You may NOT begin working on the experimental portion of your project until your local SRC /IRB has approved your procedures.