



Guideline - Pets on Campus

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Application / Scope

This guideline applies to all University employees, students, contractors, visitors and their pets. This guideline does not apply to service animals or to animals housed in laboratory areas for research purposes.

General

Please be advised that PETS other than Seeing Eye dogs/animals and or dogs/animals defined as working/service animals are NOT permitted in any University buildings.

Exceptions

We understand that at times there may be circumstances which require specific consideration and exceptions may be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

Exceptions must have written permission from the Unit Head responsible for the area.

Conduct of Pets

We rely on pet owners to be respectful of the pet and of other community members, and to take full responsibility for their pet and to maintain physical control over the animal by not allowing the animal to be at large, remaining with their animal at all times and cleaning up as applicable after their pet.

Animals should not be permitted to impede normal movements of any person on campus nor be permitted to interfere with the ability of any student, employee or other person to work or study on campus.

Persons bringing pets on campus will be held responsible for any costs or consequences of damage caused by their pet.

Employees

In addition to the foregoing, employees require the explicit consent of their supervisor prior to bringing a pet to work during working hours. It is anticipated that consent would be given only in exceptional circumstances.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding pets on campus please contact us at 416.978.4467 or ehs.office@utoronto.ca.