

Animals in Buildings

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Scope

This applies to all University properties.

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Policy Statement

Anyone bringing or having an animal onto property owned, leased or rented by the University must comply with the following requirements:

1. Animals shall not be disruptive (e.g., barking inside a building).
2. Animals shall be restrained (actively, e.g., on a leash, not passively, e.g., by voice command) at all times.
3. Dangerous animals are banned (e.g., vicious dogs, poisonous snakes as pets).
4. Animals shall not be left unattended (university buildings are not kennels).
5. The owner or handler shall dispose of all animal waste - in buildings and on university grounds.
6. The owner is responsible for all damages and injuries caused by the animal.
7. The University, through its agents, reserves the right to ban any animal from University property without demonstrating due cause. There is no inherent "right" to have animals on University premises.
 - a) Requirements 1 - 6 apply to "service animals" but the University shall not ban a service animal without due cause.

Exception: This policy does not apply to laboratory animals.

Service animals: See [ADA 2010 Revised Requirements](#) for a description of service animals.

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Reason For Policy

The presence of animals can be disruptive, sometimes dangerous, and may present hygiene and/or other property damage problems.

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Sanctions

If any owner/handler of an animal fails to follow these guidelines they will be required to remove the animal from University premises.

Any owner/handler who is a member of the University community who fails to follow these guidelines will be subject to the corrective action procedures contained in Indiana University's staff, academic, or student policies, as applicable.

Any owner/handler who is not a member of the University community who fails to follow these guidelines will be considered a trespasser on University property.

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History

This policy was established on September 22, 2000.