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Animals may be excluded from areas due to a direct threat to the health and safety of others, when their use fundamentally alters a service or program, where service animals may be in danger, or where their use may compromise the integrity of research. Examples of these areas may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Food preparation areas;
- Animal research facilities and grounds;
- Medically sensitive patient and clinic areas; and
- Biologically sensitive or hazardous research sites.

If a service animal is restricted from certain areas, the designated disability services offices are available to assist in evaluating reasonable accommodations for the owner.

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Service animals must be harnessed, leashed, or tethered, unless these devices interfere with the service animal's work or the handler's disability prevents using these devices. In that case, the handler must maintain control of the animal through voice, signal, or other effective controls.

Service animals must be accompanied by their handlers at all times and remain in close proximity to their handlers.

Service animals must be housebroken.

Service animals must have all vaccinations and licenses required by state law and/or local ordinances and kept current, and must be produced to the University upon request.

Service animals should be responsive to its handler's commands at all times.

To the extent possible, service animals should be non-disruptive to other individuals and the learning, living, and working environment.

The care and feeding of service animals is the responsibility of the handler.

Waste removal and cleanup is the responsibility of the handler.

Service animal handlers residing in a University Housing Residence are financially responsible for the actions of the service animal, and will be assessed a fee for any property damage resulting from damage caused by the service animal.



such additional or clarifying supporting documentation does not meet the requirements specified above in this policy, the request for an emotional support animal will be denied.

An eligible student dissatisfied with the ADRC's determination that the emotional support animal reasonable accommodation request does not meet the above requirements may make a written request for reconsideration to the Vice Provost for Student Affairs within five (5) working days of the denial from Disability Services. The Vice Provost for Student Affairs' response will be the final decision.

If an emotional support animal has to be removed, its handler will have 72 hours to rehouse the animal.

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Owners are required to maintain full control of their emotional support animals at all times.

Emotional Support Animals must be contained within the Owner's privately assigned individual living

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Failure to comply with the rules and regulations outlined in this policy and in the ADRC ESA Application Form may result in penalties, including but not limited to, an animal's ban from University property; such a ban may be permanent or for a specified time period. Penalties for non-compliance also include, but are not limited to, those specified in the ADRC ESA Application Form.

Violation of this policy may further subject an individual to discipline in accordance with applicable University policies and regulations and the Student Code of Conduct (K-Book).

Additionally, if an animal is found to be falsely characterized as a Service Animal, Service Animal in Training (SAIT), or an Emotional Support Animal (ESA), an individual may be found to be in violation of local, state, and federal laws.

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The University expressly reserves the right to remove an ESA or SA from University property or University residential areas if (1) the animal is out of control and the animal's handler does not take effective action to control it; (2) the animal is not housebroken; (3) the animal causes substantial property damage; (4) the animal creates an unmanageable disturbance or interference with the University or community; (5) the animal's health or safety is in danger; (6) the animal poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others; (7) the animal is determined by the University to be abandoned by its handler; or (8) the animal's presence fundamentally alters the nature of the affected University operation(s). Individuals with the authority to remove an ESA or SA from University property include University vice presidents, deans, provosts, directors of athletics, directors of housing, farm managers, and University police.

Because the ESA application and approval process is neither automatic nor immediate, applicants are advised to contact the ADRC at least thirty (30) days prior to arriving on campus to allow adequate time for application approval and submission of required documentation. Applications may be submitted up to ninety (90) days in advance of the desired start date.

To qualify for an ESA in University residential areas, the requesting individual must show that he or she has a



use the University's health provider verification of ESA need form or have their healthcare provider submit their

change within their current residence hall over others waiting for a room reassignment within the same residence hall.