Emotional Support Animal Owner Responsibilities in Campus Residences

Students who have been approved to bring Emotional Support Animals into George Fox University Housing must read this document and initial each responsibility. This initialed and signed document must be submitted to Housing Office prior to the arrival of the Emotional Support Animal on campus.

Care for the Animal

____ The cost of care, arrangements and responsibilities for the well-being of the animal are the sole responsibility of the owner at all times.
____ The University reserves the right to require the owner to obtain veterinary care for the animal in order to continue in residence whenever the University deems it appropriate.
____ Any evidence of mistreatment or abuse may result in immediate removal of the animal and/or discipline for the individual.

Licensing and Immunization Requirements

____ The animal must meet all applicable state and county licensing requirements.
____ In accordance with local ordinances and regulations, emotional support animals will possess all required and recommended immunizations, and the owner will keep immunization records up to date. Dogs must have a current rabies vaccination and wear a rabies vaccination tag and a tag with owner’s contact information. Cats should have the normal shots required for a healthy animal. Other animals may require other immunizations, and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Animal Control Requirements

____ Dogs must be on a leash or under voice control when not providing a needed service to the owner.
____ The animal should respond to voice or hand commands and be in full control of the owner at all times; the owner is responsible for the actions and conduct of the animal.
____ The animal must be crated when the owner is not in the room.

Animal Etiquette

____ Animals must not be disruptive to other students. The owner shall not allow the animal to sniff persons, their personal belongings, or tables in eating areas. The owner shall further not allow the animal to initiate contact with persons or other animals without the hander’s direct permission, or to display disruptive or aggressive behaviors or noises.
Waste Cleanup

- The animal must be housebroken (i.e., trained so that, absent illness or accident, the animal controls its waste elimination). Puppies that are not housebroken may not be brought into campus housing.
- Cleaning up after the animal is the sole responsibility of the owner. In the event that the owner is not physically able to clean up after the animal, it is then the responsibility of the owner to hire someone capable of cleaning up after the animal.
- The owner must always carry equipment sufficient to clean up the animal's feces whenever the animal is on campus.
- The owner must properly dispose of animal waste and/or litter in appropriate containers. No waste shall be disposed of in any trash receptacle inside any building or through any sewer system inside each building (sinks and toilets). Outside dumpsters must be used.

Integration of the Animal in the University Housing Community

- The roommate(s) of the owner must sign an agreement acknowledging that the animal will be living in the room/suite/apartment. In the event that the roommate(s) chooses not to live with the owner and their animal, the roommate may contact the Area Coordinator to request relocation.
- The owner agrees to notify their Area Coordinator or the Housing Office within 2 working days if their animal is no longer in residence.

Damage to the Community Living Space

- Owners are responsible for any damage or injuries caused by their animal and must take appropriate precautions to prevent property damage or injury. The owner is strongly encouraged to obtain Renter’s Insurance.
- The University will inspect and clean the assigned space when an owner and/or animal vacate the room/suite/apartment. The owner is financially responsible for property damage caused by the animal and for maintenance, cleaning, and fumigation necessitated by the presence of the animal. This includes, but is not limited to, replacement of furniture, carpet, windows and window coverings, and wall coverings.
- The owner is responsible for checking for fleas, ticks, or other pests at least once a semester, or as needed. If fleas, ticks or other pests are detected, the residence will be treated by the University’s pest control contractor at the cost of the owner.
Alternate/Emergency Caregiver for Service/Emotional Support Animal if Owner is unavailable:

Name: ______________________________ Relationship to Student: __________________________

Address: __________________________ City, State, Zip _________________________________

Mobile phone number: ______________________________

Additional information:

Agreement

By signing below, I verify that I have read and agree to the terms of George Fox University’s Emotional Support Animal Owner Responsibilities in Campus Housing. I am aware that my failure to uphold the responsibilities outlined in this document may result in the removal of my Emotional Support Animal. I acknowledge that I will contact my Area Coordinator or the Housing Office if I have questions or need assistance.

Owner’s Name (please print): ______________________ Student ID: _______________________

Owner’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: ____________________________

Director of Housing Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________