

## **Policy 408**

Subject: Pets on Library Grounds

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Animals are prohibited in the Library except for:

1. Animals used for Library programs/events.
2. Service animals in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). A service animal is defined by the ADA as an animal that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for a person with a disability.
  - a. If it is not obvious that an animal brought into the Library is a service animal, a staff member may ask two questions: (1) is the service animal required because of a disability, and (2) what work or task has the service animal been trained to perform.
  - b. Service animals must be under the immediate control of their handlers at all times.
  - c. Service animals that are not housebroken or are otherwise disruptive will be required to leave the premises.

All animals on Library grounds or in vehicles are the responsibility of the owners.

Pets outside of vehicles on library grounds must be on a leash and controlled by the owner.

Pet owners must clean up after their pets.

The Library will not be held liable for any pets that bite or attack any individual while on Library premises.