



Animal in Residence Agreement

Student Name _____ WCU ID _____
Email _____ Phone _____
Housing Assignment (if known) _____
Roommate(s) Name(s) (if known) _____

Tell us about the animal:

Name _____ Age _____
Type _____ Breed _____
Veterinarian Name & Phone Number _____

Date of last required vaccinations (MUST provide documentation from licensed veterinarian)

EMERGENCY CONTACT (must be someone who does not live on WCU campus)

In the event of an emergency, the person below will be contacted to assume custody of the animal.

Name _____ Phone _____

Review and initial each requirement indicating you understand and will adhere to the requirement:

_____ I must comply with all state laws and local animal ordinances, as well as all West Chester University Policies and guidelines.

_____ I understand that if my roommates or suitemates cannot live with the animal, I will be moved to a different room. If a different room is not available, the animal must be removed until a room is found.

_____ I must comply with all required state and municipal license requirements, including current identification and vaccination tags. Dogs must wear a current rabies vaccination tag. All animals must be tagged with contact information for the owner, if possible.

_____ Animals must wear any tag issued by the Office of Residence Life and Housing. I understand my door may be marked with a non-descriptive indicator that an animal is in the room.

_____ Dogs and cats must be spayed or neutered.

_____ I must provide current records on animal health, vaccinations, and confirmation that the animal is spayed or neutered from a licensed veterinarian.

_____ I must provide appropriate food, water, and shelter for the animal.

_____ The animal cannot be cared for or left in the unit of other on-campus residents.

_____ I am solely responsible for the care, supervision, and cleanup of the animal, with assistance of others as necessary. The animal is only permitted to be in my living space, unless being taken outside to relieve itself.

_____ I am responsible for routine maintenance of the animal, which includes flea and tick prevention. Recommended vaccinations and annual examinations must be completed. The Office of Residence Life and Housing has the right to request updated veterinary verification annually, or at any time during the animal's residency.

_____ I am responsible for instructing others on appropriate interactions with the animal and setting clear and respectful expectations.

_____ I am responsible for excessive noise or behavior that is disruptive to others and which I cannot stop.

_____ I cannot leave the animal unattended overnight or for an extended period of time beyond normal working/class hours.

_____ I certify that the animal is housebroken or will be crated when I am not present in the unit. I am responsible for sanitary clean-up measures.

_____ I am responsible for properly containing and disposing of all animal waste. Outdoor waste, such as feces, must be immediately retrieved and properly disposed of in an outdoor trash receptacle.

_____ I am responsible for effectively controlling the animal at all times. If I am unable to effectively control the animal, or if the animal poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others, the permission to keep the animal will be rescinded until such a time that the problem is rectified.

_____ I will not allow the animal to be neglected or abused.

_____ I will not allow the animal to produce or raise offspring while on campus.

_____ I bear sole financial responsibility for any action of the animal that causes bodily injury to individuals.

_____ I bear sole financial responsibility for the actions of the animal including damage that requires replacement of furniture, carpets, blinds, etc. I am expected to cover all costs of returning the unit to the same condition it was in at move in. This may include cleaning all carpets and furniture to remove pet odors, dander, hair, etc. This applies to all areas of the unit, common areas, outdoor landscaping, and other outside improvements. If items cannot be satisfactorily repaired, I will be charged for the complete replacement.

_____ **I understand permission may be rescinded if I fail to comply with any of the items in this agreement.**

_____ **I understand permission may be rescinded if the animal poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others or would cause substantial physical damage to the property of others, that cannot be reduced or eliminated by another reasonable accommodation.**

I, _____, have read and agreed to all of the terms of the West Chester Animals on Campus Policy and this Agreement. I understand that any violation of the agreement may result in West Chester University rescinding the agreement. I understand that I must communicate regularly with my roommates(s), Residence Life, and Housing regarding any substantial changes involving my service animal, including but not limited to a change in animal or a change in the current animal's function. I understand that West Chester University may make reasonable changes to this agreement at any time. If such changes are made, West Chester University will distribute a copy to me.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date

Acknowledgement of Responsibility

_____ I understand that I bear sole financial responsibility for any action of the animal that causes bodily injury to individuals. I understand West Chester University will not indemnify me against losses, lawsuits or expenses arising out of any claims for injuries caused by the animal and that West Chester University will not be responsible for any costs associated with an injury inflicted by my animal.

_____ I understand I bear sole financial responsibility for the actions of the animal including damage that requires replacement of furniture, carpets, blinds, etc. I am expected to cover all costs of returning the unit to the same condition it was in at move in. This may include cleaning all carpets and furniture to remove pet odors, dander, hair, etc. This applies to all areas of the unit, common areas, outdoor landscaping, and other outside improvements. If items cannot be satisfactorily repaired, I will be charged for the complete replacement. I understand West Chester University will not indemnify me against losses, lawsuits or expenses arising out of any claims for damages caused by the animal and that West Chester University will not be responsible for any costs associated with property damage inflicted by my animal.

_____ In requesting to have an animal in residence, I hereby release, waive, and discharge, West Chester University from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained, or to any property, caused by the actions of my animal.

_____ I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risks of loss, property damage, or personal injury, including death, that may be sustained by the property of or individuals at West Chester University cause by my animal. It is my intent that this release and hold harmless agreement apply to my family, heirs, assigns, and personal representative.

I have read the foregoing Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement, understand it and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed; I am at least 18 years of age and fully competent; and I execute this Release for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by same.

Student Signature
(or Parent/Guardian if under 18)

Date