



EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL AGREEMENT

Statement

Montclair State University permits emotional support animals (ESA) in University housing units as a reasonable accommodation in accordance with the 8 Q L Y H U Policy W \ ¶ V for Animals on Campus.

Determination to Permit Emotional Support Animals

The determination of whether an ESA will be permitted in University housing is made on a case-by-case basis through an interactive process involving the student requesting the accommodation. In all cases, the needs of the student requesting the ESA are balanced with the impact of the ESA on other campus residents. In order for an ESA to be considered a reasonable accommodation in housing, there must be current verification of need from the stu G H Q W ¶ V W U H D W L Q J P H Q W D O K H D O W K S U R Y L G H U Resource Center (DRC) which: a) verifies the individual has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities; b) describes the need for the requested accommodation; and c) identifies how the ESA alleviates the symptoms of a disability. All requests for an ESA are subject to annual review.

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American Veterinary Medical Association, and provide veterinary records attesting to the fact that the ESA is not aggressive or dangerous. The request for an ESA must be made to the DRC no less than 60 days prior to the move-in date into housing. If all criteria are met to establish the need for an



ESA has been abandoned, left in the room/apartment for an extended period of time without food or water, is sick or neglected.

_Students may not leave an ESA unattended in a room or apartment overnight without appropriate food, water, shelter and the means to relieve itself, or for an extended period of time beyond normal working/class hours. Should this occur, Residence Life will attempt to contact the student or emergency contact to remove the ESA. If this is not successful, local animal control will be contacted to have the ESA removed. All costs associated with removing the ESA shall be the responsibility of the student.

_____ No offspring of the ESA are permitted.

_____An ESA must be crated or otherwise secured when left alone.

2. Emergency Situations

___Should an emergency situation arise (for example, flood or major facilities issue) and the student cannot be located by a Residence Life staff member, then, if appropriate and safe, Residence Life, at their discretion may remove the ESA from the room to a safe location until the student can be located.

3. Health and Vaccination

_In accordance with local ordinances and regulations, the ESA must be immunized



Appeals and Grievances

A student who feels approval of an ESA was unfairly denied, may appeal the decision to the Associate Dean of Students. 7KH \$VVRFLDWH 'HDQ RI 6WXGHQW¶V GH final determination.

My signature below indicates that I have read and agree to this Agreement and acknowledge receipt of the Policy for Animals on Campus.

Name Printed

Date

Signature

Date

Emergency Contact (Off-campus) for my emotional support animal:

Name

Relationship to you

Home Phone Number

Cell Phone Number

Email: _____