



Animal Guidelines

In order to ensure the safety and well-being of both the campus community and any animals brought on campus at events, it is required that the procedures and guidelines set-forth below are followed.

Any student events where any animals, such as dogs, cats, birds, rodents, reptiles, etc. are present must be registered in the Event Registration system (EVR) at least four weeks prior to the event.

Only certified assistance and service animals are permitted to be inside any campus buildings and facilities.

Pets cannot be present or brought to student events. A pet is an animal kept for ordinary use and companionship. A pet is not considered a service or assistance animal. Pets are not permitted in the facilities of RIT and any pets on the grounds of RIT must be under appropriate restraint (leash, cage, etc.) and must be in close proximity to the owner at all times. RIT may, in its sole discretion, require the removal of pets on its grounds for any reason, including but not limited to, failure to be appropriately restrained.

Animals brought in for the purpose of interacting with or having contact with people or for therapy events must be from a reputable organization. Ordinary pets cannot be brought in for student events involving petting.

All animals must be leashed or otherwise restrained at all times and must be current with all recommended immunizations.

A tent must be provided in winter months to ensure the safety and well-being of the animals. If the outdoor temperature is below freezing, events with animals may be not permitted to ensure the safety and well-being of the animals.

The organization hosting the event must plan for any clean-up associated with the animals.

During the Event Registration Process, the following information MUST be provided:

- Type, description, and number of animals being brought to the event.
- The organization that will be bringing the animals to the event.
- The name of the agency contact and the individuals who will be on-site during the event (name and contact information).
- Information regarding the organization's insurance.
- A description of how the animals' safety will be ensured during the event.
- A description of how the attendees and crowd will be controlled and coordinated during the event.

For more information visit rit.edu/campuslife