

**UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM
ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM**

SECTION: General Administration

NUMBER: 01.C.12

AREA: Risk Management

SUBJECT: Animals on University Campuses

1. PURPOSE

This document describes the University of Houston System's policy regarding animals on its university campuses and assigns responsibility for enforcing this policy.

2. POLICY

2.1. The presence of animals at the university may pose a safety concern, which places the component universities at risk of potential liability. Therefore, as a general rule animals are not allowed on campus. The exceptions to this policy are:

- A. Service Animals, in compliance with SAM 01.D.12, *Service Animals*.
- B. Emotional Support Animals, in compliance with SAM 01.D.11, *Emotional Support Animals*.
- C. Research animals authorized by the component university's animal care committee.
- D. Animals specifically authorized to be on campus on a temporary basis for a university-sponsored event.

2.2. The component universities should establish guidelines on their campuses for enforcing this policy.

3. REVIEW AND RESPONSIBILITY

Responsible Party: Senior Associate Vice Chancellor for Finance

Review: Every five years

4. APPROVAL

Approved: Jim McShan
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