

## Animals on Campus - Summary Table

Animal	Detail	Examples at the University	Permissions	Prohibitions
Assistance dog	<p>Accredited Assistance dogs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highly trained by a member organisation of <a href="#">Assistance Dogs UK (ADUK)</a>.</li> <li>Have formal identification in the form of a harness, branded dog jacket, lead, ID tag on dogs' collar.</li> <li>A yellow ADUK branded ID book. This will contain information about the owner and their dog, details of the training organisation and who trained the dog and their owner.</li> <li>Have been trained to behave well in public.</li> <li>Have safe and reliable temperaments.</li> <li>Are healthy and do not constitute a hygiene risk observed over a considerable period of time.</li> <li>Are fully toilet trained.</li> <li>Are regularly checked by experienced veterinarians.</li> <li>Are accompanied by a disabled handler who has been trained how to work alongside their assistance dog.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Guide dogs:</b> Assist blind and partially sighted people to go about their daily lives.</p> <p><b>Hearing dogs:</b> Assist people who are Deaf/ deaf by recognising a wide variety of sounds and alerting their owner. This includes emergency sounds such as a fire alarm.</p> <p><b>Mobility Assistance dogs:</b> Assist a physically disabled person who has mobility issues, such as wheelchair dependency or poor balance. Carrying out tasks such as opening/ closing doors, picking up dropped items or providing balance and stability.</p> <p><b>Medical Alert dogs:</b> Trained to help people with life-threatening health conditions, giving them greater independence and above all saving their lives daily. For example, a seizure alert dog trained to respond</p>	<p>Assistance dogs trained by members of Assistance Dogs (UK) or by an equivalent organisation in another country, have formal identification and are permitted to accompany their owners at all times and in all places within the United Kingdom (unless there is a genuine health and safety risk).</p> <p>Notification to student services.</p> <p>PEEP.</p> <p>Application form staff and students.</p>	<p>A specific risk assessment may be required for some activities/ areas on campus.</p> <p>See Appendix 5 for considerations document and Appendix 6 for Risk Assessment</p>

		<p>to a seizure in someone who has epilepsy. <b>Psychiatric Assistance dogs:</b> Assist their handler who has been diagnosed with a psychiatric disability.</p>		
<p><b>Animal Assisted Intervention</b></p>	<p><i>“An Animal Assisted Intervention is a goal oriented and structured intervention that intentionally includes or incorporates animals in health, education and human services (e.g., social work) for the purpose of therapeutic gains in humans. It involves people with knowledge of the people and animals involved. Animal Assisted Interventions incorporate human-animal teams in formal human services such as Animal Assisted Therapy (AAT), Animal Assisted Education (AAE) or under certain conditions Animal Assisted Activity (AAA)”. Society for Companion Animal Studies <a href="#">Code of Practice</a>.</i></p> <p>AAI are delivered in a variety of environments with animals that meet certain criteria and individuals who are occupationally competent and qualified and are also experienced animal handlers. Examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animal Assisted Education (AAE): Focussed on educational/ cognitive</li> </ul>		<p>All AAI activities planned by the University must be risk assessed by the University activity organiser and carried out by competent and qualified individuals.</p> <p>The event organiser must assure themselves that the activity is carried out in accordance with the guidance set out in the Society for Companion Animal Studies <a href="#">Code of Practice</a>.</p> <p>The company providing the activity appropriately train animals, provide trained and competent personnel to assist. Appropriate insurances are in place</p>	<p>Should be organised with a recognised AAA company and all animals have some training.</p> <p>Please see the following:</p> <p>Appendix 7 Authorisation form Appendix 8 Authorisation Process Appendix 9 Considerations document</p>

	<p>goals and are delivered by licenced professionals. Examples include, Bark and Read schemes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animals Assisted Therapy (AAT): This type of therapy that involves animals as a form of treatment. The goal of AAT is to improve a patient’s social, emotional, or cognitive functioning.</li> <li>• Animal Assisted Activity (AAA): An organised activity to promote emotional, social and recreational benefits. It is not part of a treatment or educational plan but aims to improve quality of life.</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Emotional Support Animals</b></p>	<p><i>An emotional support animal (ESA) is a pet required for a person's ongoing mental health wellness &amp; treatment that it is designed to bring comfort and minimize the negative symptoms of the person's emotional or psychological disability by a licensed therapist, psychologist, doctor (GP) or any licensed mental health professional. All domesticated animals may qualify as Emotional Support Animals, they can be any age, they do not require any specific task-training like a service/assistance animal, because their very presence alleviates the symptoms associated with a personal psychological or emotional disability.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ESAs do not have the same legal rights as an assistance dog in the UK.</li> </ul>			

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<b>Pets</b>	A pet is a domesticated animal kept for companionship or pleasure. It is not considered an assistance or therapy animal.	Organised events by the University. Pets are not allowed into University buildings	University approval to run the event.	