

# Western Michigan University

## Pet Friendly Community

### Rules, Conditions, and Requirements

This is a binding agreement and the addendum to the residential housing contract. This addendum (hereinafter the “Contract”) is by and between the Board of Trustees of Western Michigan University, hereinafter called “the University”, and [[Profile..Full\_Name]] (hereinafter “You/Your”) and contains the terms and conditions that will govern the pet friendly community in a housing in a residential complex, building, unit, room, bedroom, bed space, and/or bath space (hereinafter the “Space”) owned and managed by Western Michigan University.

#### A. Allowable Pets

Pets allowed are limited to the following: dogs (no large breeds), cats, small caged animals. Animals that are not allowed included but are not limited to: agricultural animals, iguanas, monitors, komodo dragons, poisonous animals, crocodiles, alligators and animal that is prohibited by city, state, and/or federal ordinances.

#### B. Pet Approval

You must not have any holds on Your University account. Residence Life must approve Your pet each time you sign a new housing agreement with the University.

#### C. Pet Friendly Community Fee

You will be charged \$200 each for the fall and spring semesters and \$100 each for summer I and summer II sessions. This fee is non-refundable. The full charge is applicable regardless of when you join the pet friendly community. All charges will be charged to Your University account and will be due one week prior to the start of each semester/session.

#### D. Your Responsibilities

To the greatest extent permitted by law, You are responsible for all actions of the animal, and are required to take actions to ensure compliance with the following:

1. Pets are only allowed in identified areas within the Pet Friendly Community.
2. The animal is not allowed to disturb the rights, comforts, or conveniences of other persons, You are required to participate and assist in resolving complaints by others made to the University.
3. The animal must be under Your supervision and control at all times, and You must comply with all applicable laws prohibiting abuse, neglect, or cruelty to animals.
4. Dogs and cats must wear University issued ID collars at all times. Caged animals must have University issued ID tags affixed to their cages.
5. No animal may be tied to any fixed object on University property.
6. You must properly and promptly remove all animal waste from the community and outside area.
7. The animal must be current on all immunizations and shots You must provide documentation evidencing such.
8. Dogs and cats must be a minimum of one (1) year old at the time of move in.
9. Dogs and cats must be spayed/neutered at the time of move in.
10. Dogs must have a current dog license from Kalamazoo County Animal Services and Enforcement.
11. Dogs and cats must be on preventative flea treatment.
12. You are allowed no more than one animal in Your contracted space.
13. You must abide by any amendments to these requirements after the University provides written notice of such amendments to You.
14. The pet cannot be left unattended overnight at any time.
15. The pet will be provided daily food, water and attention, as well as a daily assessment of general health, behavior and overall welfare.
16. You must ensure regular cleaning of all items used by animal, such as floors, cages, kennels, and litter boxes.
17. You must notify Residence Life if the approved animal is no longer in Your space.

#### E. Inspection

Residence Life staff will perform animal inspections each a minimum of once per semester of community spaces to ensure that the owner is in compliance with the animal friendly housing policies and guidelines. This includes confirming the animal residing in the room space is the approved animal, the owner is maintaining appropriate animal care, the room space is free of damage and that the environment meets all health and safety conditions. Failure to maintain upkeep of an animal or living space may result in the removal of animal from campus and/or the assessment of room cleaning charges.

F. Liability

To the greatest extent permitted by law, you are responsible and liable for any damage to University property caused by the animal. You agree to pay all necessary costs to clean, deodorize, de-flea, and/or repair University property damage caused by the animal. You are liable for any personal injury or property damage to others caused by the animal. You agree to reimburse the University for all damages, costs of litigation, attorney's fees and for any action brought against the University related to any act of the animal. Any charges owned by You shall be added to Your University account.

G. Contract Breach

If any rule or provision of the agreement is violated, You are subject to all consequences to the maximum extent allowed by University and the law. This may include, but is not limited to, termination of the housing contract/lease, subjecting the Resident to charges under the WMU Student Code, removal from the pet community, \$500 fee plus \$25 for each additional day for any unauthorized animals until the animal is removed, and/or removal of the pet.

H. Signatures

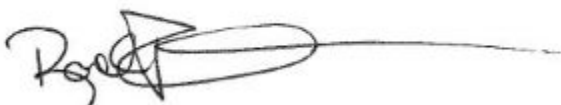
By signing this agreement, you acknowledge that You have read, understand, have been given the opportunity to ask questions about, and agree to the terms of this addendum.

Your Printed Name: [Student name]

Date: [Date signed contract]

Signature (WIN): [Western Identification Number]

The Board of Trustees of Western Michigan University By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Roshona Porter', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Roshona Porter, Director of Housing and Residence Life

