



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

Operating Policy and Procedure

HSC OP: 76.10, Animals in TTUHSC Buildings and on Grounds

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Health Sciences Center Operating Policy and Procedure (HSC OP) is to define the guidelines governing the presence of non-laboratory animals in TTUHSC buildings and grounds.

REVIEW: This HSC OP will be reviewed by September 1 of every fourth year (E4Y) by the Chief of Police, the Director of Student Disability Services, and the Vice President for Facilities and Safety Services with recommendations for reversions forwarded to the Executive Vice President of Finance and Operations (EVPFO) by September 15.

POLICY/PROCEDURE:

All animals;terrestrial or aviary, are prohibited from being kept, harbored, or maintained in any TTUHSC building or grounds with the exception of laboratory animals, police K-9's, qualified service animals in compliance with Section 4 of OP 77.14, or certified therapy dogs in compliance with [OP 10.28, Volunteers](#) section 2g, and [Attachment G](#).

Enforcement of this HSC OP shall be the responsibility of the Texas Tech Police. Facilities and Safety Services will be responsible for removing any structures or items used to harbor or maintain non-approved animals. Any person who is found to be in violation of this policy shall immediately remove such animal from the building or grounds in question at the request of the Texas Tech Police. Failure to comply with this request may result in appropriate legal or disciplinary action.