



ANIMALS IN THE LIBRARY

Service animals and service animals in training are welcome inside Newton Free Library facilities when engaged in providing the service that they were trained to provide. They must be under control and housebroken. We follow the definition of a service animal described by the Disability Rights Section of the US Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division cited at https://www.ada.gov/service_animals_2010.htm, and as it may be further updated by Massachusetts or Federal law.

Non-service animals, if housebroken, leashed, under control, and not a threat, are permitted in the lobby and holds pickup area only while accompanying patrons conducting library transactions.

Non-service animals are not permitted elsewhere in the building unless invited as part of a library program with the prior knowledge and approval of the Library Director.

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