Bangor University Disability Services

Assistance Dog conduct agreement

Bangor University is committed to providing an inclusive environment and recognises that some students will need to bring an Assistance Dog to University. This agreement is to enable owners of Assistance Dogs to provide assurances to the University on the training, behaviour and welfare of their Assistance Dog.

I have read and understood **Bangor University's Positional Statement on Assistance Dogs and Therapy Animals/Emotional Support Animals** and I agree to the following:

- I will provide Disability Services with written details of my Assistance Dog's training and where relevant, registration details with Assistance Dogs UK, Assistance Dogs International or other organisation.
- If my Assistance Dog is not registered with a member organisation of Assistance Dogs UK or Assistance Dogs International, I will provide Disability Services with a letter from my GP stating that I require my Assistance Dog to accompany me to University.
- I will ensure that I have pet insurance that has public liability cover. If my Assistance Dog is not registered with a member organisation of Assistance Dogs UK or Assistance Dogs International, I will provide Disability Services evidence of public liability insurance each year.
- I will ensure that my animal is healthy, that they have regular flee and worm treatments and vaccinations as appropriate. I will take veterinary advice with regard to their welfare.
- My Assistance Dog remains my responsibility at all times.
- I recognise that Assistance Dog owners must take responsibility for the clean-up of their dog's waste in so far as they are able and, as far as reasonably possible, make use of the designated spending area identified by the University. If I have a severe sight impairment, I am not required to clean up after my Guide Dog but I have received appropriate training to avoid dog waste on campus.
- I will not leave my Assistance Dog unattended at any time when on University grounds.
- I will ensure that my dog is on a lead at all times when on University grounds.
- I will ensure that my animal is easily identifiable as an Assistance Dog when it is working as such.
- I understand that Disability Services will inform the academic school/s and departments of my Assistance Dog via my Personal Learning Support Plan.
- If I have any labs, practicals or off-campus activities including fieldwork and placements, I will discuss details with Disability Services and my academic school.
- I will do all I can to ensure that when attending lectures, seminars or meetings with me, my animal sits quietly next to my chair.

- I will inform [Disability Services](#) in a timely fashion if there are any complaints, including negative comments, made about my animal.
- If I am aware that someone is upset / anxious/ scared of my animal in a lecture /seminar / workshop / lab, I will speak with them and try to ensure that I do not sit near to them with my dog.
- If my dog misbehaves by barking or not sitting still, I will ensure that this stops. This may mean leaving the room.
- If I am informed that there are students or staff who are allergic to my dog, I will discuss with [Disability Services](#).
- If my dog damages any University property I will pay for any repairs / replacements where it is reasonable for me to do so.
- I will ensure that my animal is well toilet trained.

I understand that if I am not able to comply with these ground rules or my animal is disruptive to other students and staff in a way that cannot be managed, these rules will be reviewed and if alternative solutions cannot be found, I may not be able to bring my Assistance Dog into university buildings and facilities.

Signed:

Date:

Checklist

Before returning this form, please make sure you have done the following:

☐ Signed and dated the declaration

☐ Enclosed **copies of all the evidence requested to support your application.**

☐ Kept your original evidence.

Adviser notes:

Date of first Annual Review: