

## Town of Bolton Bolton, Massachusetts

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## ANIMALS IN TOWN BUILDINGS AND TOWN VEHICLES

It is the policy of the Town of Bolton that animals of any kind are not permitted in any municipal building during the times that they are open to the public, except as noted below. In the case of the Public Safety Building, this building is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Therefore, this policy shall be in affect at all times. This policy applies to town-owned and operated buildings only and does not include any buildings owned or occupied by the Nashoba Regional School District.

It is the policy of the Town of Bolton that town personnel shall not transport animals in a town-owned vehicle unless they are contained within a pet carrier. This policy will not apply to the Animal Inspector/Animal Control Officer when in the performance of their town duties.

Therapy animals may be considered for exemption under this policy, at the discretion of the Town Administrator, if the individual has a doctor's note in their possession stating that the doctor has designated it as a therapy animal. Such exemptions will not be granted to town employees. They will only be considered for members of the public.

Animals may be permitted for educational purposes with the consent of the Town Administrator, and the hosting facility manager.

In no way shall these policies override or interfere with the Town of Bolton's policy regarding Service Animals or any associated State or Federal Laws.

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