

# Dining with Dogs Rules



Food and water provided to dogs must be served using equipment that is not used for the service of food to persons or is served in single-use articles

Dogs are not allowed on chairs, seats, benches, or tables

Dogs must be always kept on a leash or within a pet carrier and under the control of an adult



**Dog bites must also be reported to the Local Health Department, call (540)347-6363.**

**When reporting a dog bite, a restaurant must include:**

- **Dog owner's name, address and phone #**
- **Bit victim's name, address and phone #**

**12VAC5-421-3310. Prohibiting animals.**

**Dogs in outdoor dining areas if:**

- a. The outdoor dining area is not fully enclosed with floor-to-ceiling walls and is not considered a part of the inferior physical facility;**
- b. The outdoor dining area is equipped with an entrance that is separate from the main entrance to the food establishment and the separate the entrance serves as the sole means of entry for patrons accompanied by dogs;**
- c. A sign stating that dogs are allowed in the outdoor dining area is posted at each entrance to the outdoor dining area in such a manner as to be clearly observable by the public;**
- d. A sign within the outdoor dining area stating the requirements as specified in subdivisions 6e, 6f, and 6g of this subsection is provided in such a manner as to be clearly observable by the public;**
- e. Food and water provided to dogs are served using equipment that is not used for the service of food to persons or is served in single-use articles;**
- f. Dogs are not allowed on chairs, seats, benches, or tables;**
- g. Dogs are always kept on a leash or within a pet carrier and under the control of an adult; and**
- h. Establishment provides effective means for cleaning up dog vomitus and fecal matter.**