

2023 Kansas Statutes

65-693. Food establishments, dogs permitted inside or outside; conditions required to permit.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of state law, a food establishment, as defined in K.S.A. 65-656, and amendments thereto, that is a microbrewery as defined in K.S.A. 41-102, and amendments thereto, and is licensed as provided in K.S.A. 41-308b, and amendments thereto, may allow live dogs in outside and inside areas on the premises if the conditions specified in subsection (c) are met.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of state law, a food establishment, as defined in K.S.A. 65-656, and amendments thereto, that is not a microbrewery as defined in K.S.A. 41-102, and amendments thereto, may allow live dogs in outside areas on the premises, if the conditions as specified in subsection (c) are met.

(c) The following conditions shall be met by a food establishment for dogs to be permitted on such food establishment's premises as permitted by subsections (a) and (b):

(1) The food establishment shall prepare a written plan describing the processes and procedures in place to prevent food contamination from dogs on the premises. The plan shall be posted next to the food establishment license inside the premises of the food establishment. The employees of the food establishment shall be trained on the plan, and the plan shall be made available to the Kansas department of agriculture upon request;

(2) dogs shall be under handler control. Dogs shall be well behaved and respond to their handler's command. Dogs belonging to food establishment owners, management or employees shall not be required to be leashed. Dogs belonging to guests of the food establishment shall be leashed at all times;

(3) with respect to a food establishment that is a microbrewery, as provided by subsection (a), dogs in indoor areas shall not be permitted in food or drink preparation areas, including, but not limited to, kitchens and behind bars;

(4) dogs shall not be permitted on dining surfaces, including tables, bars or counter tops;

(5) dogs shall not be fed or watered from any food establishment equipment, including, but not limited to, plates, bowls and utensils, except for single-service items that are disposed of immediately following such use;

(6) an area outside the food establishment shall be designated for dog urination and defecation;

(7) employees shall be required to wash their hands after contact of any kind with a dog prior to handling any food, drink, utensil or food or drink production, preparation or serving equipment or the preparation or use of surfaces that may come into contact with food or drink;

(8) guests shall be advised to wash their hands after any contact with a dog; and

(9) a process for immediately sanitizing equipment or surfaces used for the production, preparation, serving or consumption of food or drink if a dog has contact with such equipment or surfaces shall be developed and followed by the food establishment. This process shall include instructions for disposing of contaminated food or drink.

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