



Animals are prohibited on the premises of a food establishment except, when specific controls are in place, food establishments may allow dogs in outdoor dining areas. Microbreweries, as defined in K.S.A. 41-102, may also have dogs in non-food preparation indoor areas. Note: There is no requirement to allow dogs, except for service dogs pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

KDA recognizes that dogs on food establishment premises can be part of an overall business plan provided reasonable precautions are taken to protect food, including drinks. The following safety controls must be in place to allow dogs in outdoor dining areas and, for microbreweries only, non-food preparation indoor areas:

- The food establishment must have a written plan describing the processes and procedures in place to prevent food (including drinks) contamination from dogs on the premises. This plan must be posted next to the food establishment license in the establishment, employees of the establishment must be trained on the plan, and the plan must be made available to KDA upon request.
- Dogs must be under handler control. Dogs must be well-behaved and must respond to their handler's command. Dogs belonging to the food establishment's owners or employees are not required to be leashed, but guests' dogs must be leashed.
- Dogs must not be in food or drink preparation areas such as kitchens, behind expo/bar areas, etc.

- Dogs must not be allowed on dining surfaces such as tables, bars, countertops, etc.
- Dogs must 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 use.
- An area outside the establishment must be designated for dog urination and defecation.
- Employees must be required to wash their hands after dog contact of any kind prior to handling any food, drink, utensil or food or drink production, preparation or serving equipment or the preparation or use of food (including drink) contact surfaces.
- Patrons must be advised to wash their hands after dog contact.
- 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 surfaces must be developed and followed in the establishment. This process must include instructions for disposing of contaminated food (including drinks).

