

GBWCT POLICY



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DOG FREE POLICY

The Golden Bay Workcentre Trust maintains a safe and healthy environment for all staff, students, tenants and visitors. It does this in part by ensuring that dog owners are aware that all Workcentre facilities are kept as a dog-free zone and that no dogs are permitted.

Whilst it is recognised that many dog owners are very responsible in regards to the behaviour of their animal there can be no exceptions to this Policy.

1.0 Policy Detail

For the health and safety of our staff, clients, participants, tenants and visitors, the Golden Bay Workcentre Trust has a No Dog policy.

Although we love animals, we ask that visitors please leave their pet at home while visiting the Workcentre.

- All students, staff, tenants and visitors to Workcentre facilities are informed of the Policy regarding dogs.
- Dog-Free Zone signs are posted at strategic points on the Workcentre's campus.
- The owners of any dogs found on the Workcentre facilities will be asked to remove them immediately. This will include any dogs left in vehicles.
- The owners of any dogs found defecating on the grounds of the Workcentre facilities will be responsible for the removal of this matter.
- Students attending courses on other associated sites during Workcentre course hours will be required to uphold the Policy of that work place.
- This No Dog policy applies to:
 - Emotional Support Animals
 - Comfort Animals
 - Therapy Animals
- Only Working Service Dogs are Permitted

2.0 Working Service Dogs

Assistance dogs will only be allowed at the Workcentre with appropriate certification.

The Golden Bay Workcentre Trust complies with the Health and Disability Services (Safety) Act 2001 allowing access for all individuals to public places; therefore, we do allow working service dogs onsite.

Service animals are individually trained to perform work or tasks for people with disabilities. Service animals are required to be leashed or harnessed except when performing work or tasks where such tethering would interfere with the dog's ability to perform the work or tasks.

Dogs whose sole function is to provide comfort or emotional support do not qualify as service animals under the Act.

Should visitors arrive at the Workcentre with a pet that is not a service animal, they will be asked to remove the animal from our facility.

To avoid any disruption or inconvenience, we ask that visitors please leave their pet at home.