



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & SAFETY

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Wildlife Feeding Policy

I. Purpose:

A regulation to prohibit the feeding of unconfined wildlife on any property owned or operated by Ramapo College of New Jersey to protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this regulation, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

Feed - means to distribute or scatter any edible material with the intention of feeding or attracting wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.

Person - means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State that is subject to the Public complex's jurisdiction.

Wildlife - means any undomesticated animal and includes all organisms that live wild in an area.

III. Regulated Activities:

No person shall feed any wildlife on any property owned or operated by Ramapo College of New Jersey.

IV. Exemptions:

Exemptions include unconfined wildlife at an environmental education center.

I. Violations:

- a) Any College student who is found to be in violation of this regulation shall be subject to official warning, disciplinary probation, suspension, expulsion, or other sanctions in accordance with the College's Student Conduct Code.
- b) Any College officer, staff member, employee, or agent who is found to be in violation of this regulation shall be subject to dismissal, removal, reduction of salary, suspension, demotion, or other disciplinary action in accordance with applicable New Jersey statutes and relevant contracts or agreements.
- c) Any other person who has entered into a contract or agreement with the College to provide equipment, materials, supplies, or services on college property, and who is found to be in violation of this regulation, shall be subject to sanctions in accordance with the contract or agreement.
- d) Any visitor, guest, or other person who is not identified under V.a, V.b, or V.c above, and who continues to be in violation of this regulation, after being duly notified, is subject to being banned from college property by the Director of Public Safety or prosecution for criminal trespass under N.J.S.A. 2C:18-3.