## Rowan University - School of Osteopathic Medicine Environmental Health and Safety

**Subject:** Wildlife Feeding Control

**Effective Date:** September, 2021 **Approved by:** Thomas Boyle

### I. Purpose:

A regulation to prohibit the feeding of unconfined wildlife at Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine, so as to protect 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 regulation clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When inconsistent 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.

- a. Feed To give, place, expose, deposit, distribute or scatter any material with the intention of feeding, attracting, or enticing wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.
- b. Person Any individual (including but not limited to a University student, visiting faculty member or other visitor, guest, professional member of the University's academic, administrative, or teaching staff, or other University officer, agent or employee), corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State whose conduct on University property is subject to regulation by the University.
- c. University Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine
- d. University Property Lands and buildings owned or controlled by Rowan University.
- e. Wildlife All animals that are neither human nor domesticated animals. Wildlife means any wild mammal, bird, reptile, amphibian, fish, shellfish, mollusk, crustacean, or other wild animal, or any part, product, egg, or offspring

### **III. Prohibited Conduct**

No person shall feed any unconfined wildlife on University property, except as part of approved academic research.

### **IV. Violations**

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- a. Any University student who continues to be in violation of this regulation, shall be subject to fines, disciplinary probation, suspension, expulsion, or other sanctions pursuant to the University's Student Handbook.
- b. Any University officer, staff member, employee or agent who is in violation of this regulation, shall be subject to dismissal, removal, reduction of salary, suspension, demotion, or other disciplinary action in accordance with applicable Federal and New Jersey statutes and relevant contracts or agreements.
- c. Any other person who has entered into a contract or agreement with the University to provide equipment, materials, supplies or services on University property, shall be subject to sanctions in accordance with this regulation and/or Federal and New Jersey statutes.
- d. Any visitor, guest, or other person who is not identified under IV.a, IV.b, or IV.c above, and who, after being duly notified of this regulation, continues to violate its dictates shall be, subject to ejection from University property if the person refuses to leave after being asked to leave and may be subject to prosecution for trespass under N.J.S.A. 2C:18-3 and for penalties under N.J.S.A. 2C:18-6.