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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: US Army Garrison (USAG) Daegu Policy Letter #38, Control of Pets, Mascots, and Stray Animals in US Army Garrison-Daegu

1. REFERENES:

- a. AR 40-905, Veterinary Health Services, 29 August 2006.
- b. AR 420-1, Army Facilities Management, 24 August 2012.

2. PURPOSE: To establish policy, guidelines, and responsibility for pets on US Army Garrison-Daegu (USAG-D) installations and also pets residing in government owned, controlled, and leased quarters in Daegu.

3. APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to all personnel bringing animals onto USAG-D installations for any reason. This policy applies to personnel residing in Daegu Government owned or leased quarters on Camp George and Camp Walker. This policy includes key and essential Department of Defense civilians assigned to Government quarters, both unaccompanied personnel housing and family housing.

4. This Command Policy supersedes Area IV Support Activity Revised Command Policy #2-1, SAB, 18 August 2006.

5. DEFINITIONS:

a. "Domestic pets" include dogs or cats, regardless of size, for the purposes of this policy.

b. "Exotic animals" are snakes, monkeys, geckos, rabbits, or other similar type animals. In the event there is a conflict as to whether a resident's pet is considered exotic for the purpose of this policy, a final decision will be made by the installation commander after consultation with the Commander, 106<sup>th</sup> Medical Detachment (VS).

c. "Caged animals" are birds, fish, hamsters, ferrets, guinea pigs, gerbils, and turtles.

d. "Livestock" are pigs, cattle, goats, horses, sheep, and chickens.

e. "Unit mascots" are domestic animals appointed on official unit orders by an officer in the grade of O-5 or higher and registered with the Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF). Unit mascots are subject to this pet policy. Unit mascots are government owned

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animals and are subject to all Federal codes, laws, and guidelines that apply. Unit mascots will not routinely be adopted as private pets. In an exceptional case where it is in the best interest of the animal for such adoption to occur, the adopting individual will reimburse the veterinary treatment facility for the full costs of all services and medications provided over the preceding 24 months. Units with mascots that violate this policy will have their mascot's status revoked by the OIC, Daegu VTF. Without active mascot orders, an animal cannot reside in a unit area of operations or receive Government funded veterinary care. Units with mascots that have their mascot status revoked will also be responsible for reimbursing the attending Veterinary Treatment Facility for the full costs of all services and medications provided over the preceding 24 months.

6. GENERAL:

- a. Residents of unaccompanied personnel housing (UPH) are not authorized domestic pets.
- b. Other post residents are limited to two domestic pets per household.
- c. Exotic animals are prohibited in all family housing quarters in USAG-D. Livestock are prohibited as pets and Unit mascots on USAG-D installations.
- d. Caged animals are permitted in all family housing quarters.
- e. Non-family members and guests of USAG-D housing residents are prohibited from bringing any animals onto the installation, except for authorized personnel bringing animals to the pet care center or the Veterinary Treatment Facility.
- f. Upon in-processing with the housing division, applicants who are authorized to bring domestic pets to Korea will initiate a pet registration form (enclosure 1). By signing the pet registration form, applicants acknowledge that they have read, understand, and will comply with all provisions outlined in this policy.
- g. Personnel who violate this policy, or who knowingly bring a domestic or other nonauthorized pet to Korea when they have been notified that pets are not authorized, will be subject to removal from, or denied, government quarters.
- h. Personnel who violate this policy and whose government quarters are terminated will not be authorized overseas housing allowance (OHA).
- i. All pets must be registered at the USAG-D Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF) within 10 days of acquisition or arrival in country.

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j. Dogs and cats require proper immunization for rabies prior to registration. Other required immunizations must be accomplished IAW the schedule provided by the VTF.

Dogs must be immunized annually against rabies, distemper multivalent immunizations with leptospirosis, and must be tested for heartworm infection and maintained on heartworm preventative with dewormer year-round. Cats must be immunized against rabies, feline panleukopenia virus multivalent immunization, and be tested for parasites and/or de-wormed at least annually. Exceptions to this policy will be due to medical reasons only, at the discretion of the Daegu VTF veterinarian.

k. Disabled persons with a bona fide animal assistant are exempt from this policy, regardless of where they are housed in USAG-D.

l. All animal deaths must be reported immediately to the VTF.

m. All animals will be maintained under leash control. Verbal control is insufficient. It is the owner's responsibility to control the animal, not the citizen's responsibility to avoid the animal.

n. Animals will not be permitted to enter tennis courts, swimming areas, exchange facilities, commissaries, theaters, bowling lanes, troop billets, BOQ/BEQ, dining facilities, playgrounds, gymnasiums, picnic areas, athletic fields, clubs, or any facility where food or drinks are served. Bona fide health assistant animals are exempt from this requirement. Official unit mascots may enter troop billets.

o. Pet exercise areas will routinely be used for voiding waste. These approved exercise areas are identified at enclosure 2. Each housing area has containers for pet waste.

**PET OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PICKING UP AND PROPERLY DISPOSING OF ANIMAL WASTES NO MATTER WHERE THEY ARE ON THE INSTALLATION.**

p. Animals found unattended or running free will be controlled by DPW and transported to the USAG-D VTF for impoundment. If the animal is not claimed within 3 working days, the animal will be considered a stray. The animal will then be subject to euthanasia or entered into the VTF adoption program at the discretion of the attending veterinarian. Animal control is the responsibility of the owner and fines and/or PMO action may be taken for violations.

q. Owners will not allow animals to disturb neighbors by constant barking, destroying property, or threatening actions (e.g., biting, scratching, or aggressive behavior). Animals showing this type of behavior will be removed from housing and in certain circumstances may be subject to humane euthanasia.

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r. Owners must provide proper food, water, shelter, and exercise for pets as described in Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

s. Owners will not abandon their pet. If the sponsor is unable to provide the necessary care or if the sponsor is transferred from the installation, the sponsor must make provisions to find a home for the pet. All stray animals on Korea wide installations will be picked up by DPW pest Control Personnel and impounded at the servicing Veterinary Treatment Facility for further disposition. Stray or abandoned animals and pets not claimed within a reasonable time (three working days) will be considered nuisance animals and may be euthanized. A statement of charges will be initiated to collect all costs incurred to capture and dispose of an abandoned pet, and owners will be subject to UCMJ action as a result of abandoning pets.

t. The owner of an animal involved in a bite case will bring the animal to the Daegu VTF, where appropriate rabies quarantine and observation procedures will be determined. Failure to comply within 24 hours will result in the animal being seized by the military police and impounded at a designated facility at owner expense.

u. Commercial operations involving animals, including breeding of animals, is prohibited in post housing. Services at the Daegu VTF will not be provided to anyone breeding animals.

v. Violations of this policy may result in administrative sanctions. Incidents of failure to control animals may result in, at a minimum, the animal being removed from USAG-D installations and may result in removal of the sponsor/owner from Government quarters.

w. Violations of this policy should be reported to installation area and building coordinators, USAG-D housing officer, the military police, or the area civilian misconduct officer. Citations may be issued by the military police, VTF personnel, installation and building coordinator, or the USAG-D Commanding Group.

7. POC is Chief of Housing, 768-7668.

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Pet Registration Form

  
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