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118. Pets. Pet ownership is a conditional privilege extended to those personnel assigned to pet eligible quarters. Responsible behavior must be exhibited in the control of pets or the privilege may be revoked. This regulation pertains to any pet kept at a residence, whether owned by the resident or not. Small birds, fish, hamsters, gerbils, and guinea pigs which are properly caged in a domicile designed for their habitation are allowed at all MFH sites. Breeding any animals for any purpose is prohibited. Three citations for misbehavior will result in the removal of nuisance animal. Misbehavior includes, but is not limited to, biting, making excessive noise, damage to property, scattering trash, depositing feces on premises not assigned to owner, and pets running loose. The impound section of PMO enforces air station regulations governing animals and pets. A vicious unprovoked attack by a pet could result in the immediate removal of the pet from Family Housing. No dogs are allowed, but two cats (spayed or neutered) are allowed in all mid-rise homes. Documentation of spaying or neutering is required to be provided to the Housing Office. Two pets are permitted in all townhouses. All pets are required to be micro-chipped, vaccinated, and registered with the local Veterinary Service and the Housing Office. You must also keep your pets' shots current. If you own a pet, you are responsible for your own flea/tick control program. You will be required to provide documentation to prove that quarters and grounds were treated within 10 days prior to vacating your quarters. Failure to provide required documentation will result in the unit being treated by the government and the resident charged for the service. Any damage to government property or flea infestation caused by your pet will be your financial responsibility.

a. Wild, Non-Domestic, or Exotic Animals as Pets. All non-domestic animals including, but not limited to, snakes, chickens, ducks, lizards, ferrets, monkeys, reptiles, and tarantulas are not permitted in government quarters. Raising birds and fish for commercial purposes is not allowed.

b. Conditions of Animal Ownership. Animal owners must comply with the following conditions:

(1) Animals shall be restrained or confined as required by local policy.

(2) Animals shall be humanely treated at all times.

(3) Vaccinations, microchips, licenses, and permits shall be obtained as required by local policy.

(4) Animal premises shall be kept sanitary and shall not constitute a fly breeding reservoir, a source of offensive odors or of human, or animal disease.

(5) Animals and animal premises shall not be permitted to disturb the peace or constitute a public nuisance or hazard.

c. Restraint of Pets (Outdoors)

(1) Pets must be in an approved fenced yard unless being walked.

(2) Pets must be on a hand-held leash when taken for a walk under the control of a responsible person.

(3) Pet owners will maintain their yards and adjacent areas clean and free of animal droppings. The person walking the pet(s) will pick up and properly dispose of any droppings.

(4) Pets will not be tethered, chained, or tied in front yards or on any common ground. Pets will not be tethered, chained, or secured to trees, water faucets, drain spouts, or any part of the housing unit. The fence in the resident's yard must be sufficient to prevent the animal from exiting the yard and/or persons from entering the yard. If the fence is not sufficient, the animal must be kept on a leash inside the yard.

d. Committing Nuisance. No person shall allow a dog or cat in its custody to defecate or to urinate on public property or any improved private property other than that of the owner or person having control of the animal. If a violation of the above occurs, such person shall immediately remove any feces to a proper receptacle. Common grounds and public areas (i.e., athletic fields, playgrounds, and parks) shall not be used as dog exercise areas or dog runs.

e. Authorization to Keep Pets. Authorization to keep pets will be rescinded when the pet(s) becomes a nuisance to neighbors because of noise, odor, sanitation, misbehavior, or grounds condition, and if you fail to control and maintain the pet(s) as required herein.

f. Stray/Loose Animals. All stray/loose animals should be reported to the local Provost Marshal Office. Your local Housing Office does not have the means to capture or contain stray animals.

g. Dead Animals. If you find a dead animal on a street, call the Provost Marshal Office.