

**XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort
Liberty Regulation 40-5**

Veterinary Services:

**ANIMAL CONTROL AND
VETERINARY SERVICES
FOR PRIVATELY
OWNED ANIMALS**

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SUMMARY OF CHANGE

XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Liberty Regulation 40-5, Animal Control and Veterinary Services for Privately Owned Animals

This revision supersedes XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg Regulation 40-5, dated 4 March 2008

XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Liberty Regulation 40-5 Updates

1. 1-4 (c): Compliance

a. Previous: Military personnel who fail to comply with this regulation are subject to judicial or non-judicial action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), or appropriate administrative action.

b. Update: The provisions in this regulation constitute a general order and are punitive. Military personnel who fail to comply with this regulation are subject to judicial or non-judicial action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), or appropriate administrative action.

2. 1-4 (d): Compliance

a. Previous: Government employees and Civilians who violate this regulation may be subject to prosecution in the United States Magistrate Court, barred from post, referred to Civilian authorities, or subject to disciplinary and administrative action according to appropriate Civilian personnel regulations.

b. Update: Civilians who violate this regulation may be barred from post, referred to Civilian authorities, or subject to disciplinary and administrative action according to appropriate Civilian personnel regulations.

3. 2-1 (a): Installation Veterinarian

a. Previous: Oversee the procedures prescribed in this regulation regarding registration and care of privately owned animals maintained on Fort Bragg.

b. Update: Oversee the procedures prescribed in this regulation regarding registration and care of privately owned animals maintained on Fort Liberty. The VETCEN will provide Housing Registration Memo for Corvias Housing (after all veterinary requirements are completed). It is the responsibility of the pet owner to maintain possession of the housing registration memorandum. If the housing registration memorandum is not in possession, the pet will be assumed un-registered.

4. 2-2 (b): Corvias Military Housing

a. Remove: Issue notifications to pet owners for violation of this regulation. will provide copies of the notification to the owner, the Residential Communities Initiative (RCI), the VETCEN and to the Garrison Commander's office. The VETCEN will retain copies of the notification for inclusion in the animal's Veterinary Treatment Record (VTR).

5. 2-3: Military Housing Office

a. Addition: Provide information regarding pet ownership requirements and this policy during the plain language briefing provided to Tenants prior to occupancy of housing.

6. 2-4 (d): Provost Marshal Office (PMO)

a. Addition: Provide a Law Enforcement Report through the Freedom of Information Act Office to the violator. The Residential Communities Initiative (RCI), Corvias Military Housing, VETCEN and Garrison Commander's Office will receive the information via the Law Enforcement Daily Blotter. The VETCEN will retain copies of the notification for inclusion in the animal's Veterinary Treatment Record (VTR).

7. 2-4 (e): Provost Marshal Office (PMO)

a. When applicable, issue citations for violation of this regulation

8. 2-5 (h): Pet Owners

a. Previous: Humanely dispose of unwanted pets or pets that cannot be adequately cared for. This can be achieved by finding it a new home, or bringing it to the Fort Bragg Animal Shelter (Building 2-7402) or a local animal control facility, however, acceptance at these facilities is based on availability of space.

b. Update: Humanely dispose of unwanted pets or pets that cannot be adequately cared for. This can be achieved by finding the pet a new home or bringing it to a local animal control facility (Harnett County Animal Control- Linden Oaks; Cumberland County Animal Control- Fort Liberty (excluding Linden Oaks)), however, acceptance at these facilities is based on availability of space. Owners residing on Fort Liberty who bring unwanted pets to local animal control facilities must provide the facility proof of residence on Fort Liberty as well as the owner's name, address, and phone number for inclusion in the facility's monthly report to the Garrison through DPW Pest Management.

9. 3-1: Applicability

a. Previous: Paragraph 3-2 does not apply to Seeing Eye dogs, other assistance-type dogs for the handicapped, or Pet Therapy and/or Human Animal Bond animals. Guidance in 40 USC 291, Admission of Guide Dogs Accompanied by Blind Masters, allows service dogs to go anywhere their owners are authorized, so long as they are under control.

b. Update: 3-1. Paragraphs 3-2, 3-4, and 3-5 do not apply to service animals as defined by this policy. Department of Justice guidelines implementing the service dog provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act prohibits exclusion of a service dog based on assumptions or stereotypes about the animal's breed or how the animal may behave and guidance in 40 USC 291, Admission of Guide Dogs Accompanied by Blind Masters, allows service dogs to go anywhere their owners are authorized, so long as they are under control.

10. 3-4: Breed Restrictions.

a. Previous: The following breeds are not permitted on Fort Bragg: Pit Bull, American Staffordshire Terrier, English Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Rottweiler and Wolf or Wolf Hybrid. Dogs of the breeds listed above that reside on Fort Bragg prior to the publication of this regulation will be allowed to remain until the Owner/Sponsor moves or ownership of the animal ceases, whichever comes first.

b. Update: The following breeds or mixed breeds of dogs are not permitted on Fort Liberty: American Pit Bull Terrier, American Bully, American Staffordshire Terrier, English Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Rottweiler, Presa Canarios, Chow Chow, Doberman Pinscher and Wolf or Wolf Hybrid.

11. 3-6: Dangerous Animals

a. Previous: Any dog determined to be dangerous by the Garrison Commander or designated representative (to include the Installation Veterinarian and Provost Marshal) is prohibited from being housed on Fort Bragg. Any animal already residing on Fort Bragg that is determined to be dangerous will be removed from Fort Bragg within 7 calendar days, or the animal will be impounded and disposed of at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian. The Garrison Commander or designated representative will determine a dog to be dangerous or vicious based on documented history (bites, harassing behavior, etc) and/or observation.

b. Update: Any dog determined to be dangerous by the Garrison Commander or designated representative (to include the Installation Veterinarian and Provost Marshal) is prohibited from being housed on Fort Liberty. Any animal already residing on Fort Liberty that is determined to be dangerous will be removed from Fort Liberty within seven calendar days of written notice from the Garrison Commander or designated representative, or the animal will be impounded and disposed of at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian. If the owner appeals the decision of the Garrison Commander or designated representative as provided for under Section 11-3 of this Policy, the animal must be removed within seven calendar days of the Garrison Commander's final decision denying the Owner's appeal. The Garrison Commander or designated representative will determine a dog to be dangerous or vicious based on documented history of bites, harassing behavior, or other dangerous activity collected by Corvias Military Housing and/or observation.

12. 3-7. (b) Request for Exceptions and Appeals

a. Previous: Appeals to actions taken or proposed, other than actions under the UCMJ, must be made in writing with complete justification through the Chief of Fort Bragg Branch Veterinary Services to the Garrison Commander. Appeals must be made within three working days of notification of any proposed action.

b. Update: Appeals to actions taken or proposed, other than actions under the UCMJ, must be made in writing with complete justification through Corvias to the Garrison Commander. Appeals must be made within three working days of notification of any proposed action.

c. Exceptions to the policy to house emotional support animals that would otherwise violate the limitations outlined in 3-3 and 3-5 must be requested from the Garrison Commander through the MHO. The owner must maintain a copy of their approved exception to policy at all times. If the owner is unable to produce their approved exception to policy upon request, the animal will be considered prohibited. Exceptions can be denied and permission to house an animal on the installation can be revoked at any time if the animal is deemed to be aggressive or dangerous as previously defined by this policy. Requests must be in writing and include a sworn statement attesting to the individual's need for an emotional support animal and attesting that the animal is not a risk to public health or safety.

13. 8-1: Apprehension.

a. Previous: The Provost Marshall shall apprehend and impound at the Fort Bragg Stray Facility any pet running loose on Fort Bragg. Once a pet has been picked up, it will not be released to the owner until the requirements in paragraph 8-3 below are met. The impounding officer will complete the stray log at the Stray Facility.

b. Update: All animals and pets roaming freely on Fort Liberty will be apprehended and impounded by the County Animal Control Services (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty).

14. 8-2: Impoundment.

a. Previous: The Fort Bragg Stray Facility will house impounded pets for three working days and attempt to notify the owner if the pet is wearing a metal registration tag or microchipped. If ownership cannot be established by the end of the third day; the animal will be disposed of at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian.

b. Update: Impounded pets will be brought directly to the assigned County Animal Control (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty). The County will house impounded pets for 72 hours and attempt to notify the owner if the pet is wearing a registration tag or microchipped. If ownership is not established by the end of the 72-hour holding period, the animal will be adopted or humanely disposed of by the County.

15. 8-3: Release of Impounded Pets.

a. Previous: An owner may obtain the release of the impounded pet by paying fees incurred for its maintenance and all costs associated with correcting deficiencies in the pet's vaccination, test and microchip status. The Fort Bragg Stray Facility will provide the Garrison Commander with a weekly report of all owned animals impounded at the facility.

b. Update: An owner may obtain the release of the impounded animal from the Assigned County Animal Control (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty) by paying fees incurred for maintenance for its maintenance and all costs associated with correcting the deficiencies in the pet's vaccination, test, and microchip status. The Assigned County Animal Control will provide a monthly report to the Garrison through DPW Pest Management of all impounded animals reclaimed by their owners.

16. 8-5: Wild or feral animals.

a. Previous: Trapped feral cats and other wild animals shall be the responsibility of Pest Control, Directorate of Public Works Business Center (DPW). These animals may be taken to the Stray Facility for disposition if resources permit.

b. Update: Trapped feral cats and other wild animals shall be the responsibility of Directorate of Public Works (DPW), Pest Management Section. Trapped feral cats may be taken to the Assigned County Animal Control (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty) if resources permit.

17. 9-2 (b): Investigations.

a. Previous: Owned animals suspected of being abused cannot be housed at the VTF but may be housed at the Stray Facility if room exists. Owners will be responsible for all costs associated with boarding at the Stray Facility. If room does not exist at the Stray Facility, the owner is responsible for procuring off-post boarding until the case is resolved.

b. Update: Owned animals suspected of being abused will be brought to the Fort Liberty VETCEN for evaluation and initial treatment. Owners will be responsible for all treatment costs incurred at the VETCEN. Treatment at the VETCEN will not extend past a 48-hour period. Once the animal is deemed to be stable, it will be transported to the assigned County Animal Control (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty). The assigned County Animal Control will hold the animal for a maximum of 20 days while the investigation is ongoing.

18. 10-1 (a): Pets that Bite or Scratch humans.

a. Previous: If a bite or scratch results in initiation of DD Form 2341, Report of Animal Bite- Potential Rabies Exposure, the VTF will notify the owner to present the pet for examination and quarantine. Owners must not destroy, give away, sell or otherwise dispose of the pet until completion of the quarantine period.

b. Update: If a bite or scratch results in initiation of DD Form 2341, Report of Animal Bite- Potential Rabies Exposure, the Fort Liberty VETCEN will notify the pet owner to present the pet for examination and 10-day at-home quarantine. If the animal resides on post, the animal will be examined at the Fort Liberty VETCEN. If the animal resides off post, the animal will be observed by the assigned County Animal Control. Owners must not destroy, give away, sell, or otherwise dispose of the pet until completion of the quarantine period.

19. 10-1 (b): Pets that Bite or Scratch humans.

a. There is no (b) in the current regulation. (c) needs to be renamed (b).

b. Previous: Quarantine procedures are initiated regardless of the circumstances. The pet may be held at either the Fort Bragg Stray Facility, VTF, or at the owner's quarters at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian or a designated representative. Factors considered include the Rabies vaccination status of the pet, its health and temperament, the demonstrated ability of the owner to comply with these provisions, and any other factors pertinent to the situation.

c. Update: Quarantine procedures are initiated regardless of the circumstances. The pet may be held at the owner's quarters or the assigned County Animal Control at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian or a designated representative. Factors considered include the Rabies vaccination status of the pet, its health and temperament, the demonstrated ability of the owner to comply with these provisions, and any other factors pertinent to the situation.

20. 10-1 (c): Pets that Bite or Scratch humans.

a. (d) needs to be renamed (c).

b. Previous: Before the Installation Veterinarian authorizes Home Quarantine, the pet owner must sign DD Form 2623. If the pet owner fails to comply with home quarantine procedures as outlined in that form, the Provost Marshall will impound the pet at the Fort Bragg Stray Facility. All financial charges related to quarantine are the responsibility of the owner.

c. Update: Before the Home Quarantine, the pet owner must sign DD Form 2623. The pet may be held at the owner's quarters or the assigned County Animal Control (at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian or Designated Representative).

21. 10-1 (d): Pets that Bite or Scratch humans.

a. Previous: Quarantine procedures are initiated regardless of the circumstances. The pet may be held at either the Fort Bragg Stray Facility, VTF, or at the owner's quarters at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian or a designated representative. Factors

considered include the Rabies vaccination status of the pet, its health and temperament, the demonstrated ability of the owner to comply with these provisions, and any other factors pertinent to the situation.

- b. Update: Removed due to duplicity of 10-1 (b).

22. 10-1 (d): Pets that Bite or Scratch humans.

- a. (f) needs to be renamed (d).

- b. Previous: Any animal that becomes ill or dies during quarantine will be tested for Rabies. If an animal becomes ill or dies in home quarantine, the owner MUST promptly deliver the animal to the VTF for Rabies Testing.

- c. Update: Any animal that becomes ill or dies during quarantine will be tested for Rabies. If an animal becomes ill or dies in home quarantine, the owner MUST promptly deliver the animal to the Fort Liberty Veterinary Center or assigned County Animal Control for Rabies Testing.

23. 10-1 (e): Pets that Bite or Scratch humans.

- a. (f) needs to be renamed (e)

- b. Previous: The Garrison Commander will issue a notification letter to the owner of any animal involved in a bite. The first notification will be a warning; the second notification will revoke the Owner/Sponsor's ability to maintain pets on Fort Bragg.

- c. Update: The Garrison Commander, Fort Liberty Veterinary Center, or assigned County Animal Control will issue a notification letter to the owner of any animal involved in a bite. The first notification will be a warning; the second notification will revoke the Owner/Sponsor's ability to maintain pets on Fort Liberty.

24. 10-1 (f): (h) needs to be renamed (f)

25. 10-2 (a): Animals behaving strangely.

- a. Previous: Any person who observes an animal showing unusual or threatening behavior shall notify the Provost Marshal. The PMO or designated representative will take immediate steps to apprehend and impound the animal at the Fort Bragg Stray Facility.

- b. Update: Any person who observes an animal showing unusual or threatening behavior shall notify the Provost Marshal. The assigned County Animal Control will take immediate steps to apprehend and impound the animal at the Fort Liberty Veterinary Center no longer than 48 hours. Once 48-hour time period has passed, animal will be moved to the assigned County Animal Control.

26. 12-2 (a): Animals found dead.

a. Previous: Animals (domestic and wild) found dead on Fort Bragg (including roads) will be reported to DPW Engineering Equipment Section. The DPW will dispose of the animal or deliver the remains to the Stray Facility. If the carcass is a pet, wearing a Fort Bragg metal registration tag, the Stray Facility will attempt to notify the owner.

b. Update: Animals (domestic and wild) found dead on Fort Liberty (including roads) will be reported to DPW Pest Management Section. The DPW will dispose of the animal or deliver the remains to the Fort Liberty Veterinary Center. If the carcass is a pet, wearing a Fort Liberty metal registration tag, the Fort Liberty Veterinary Center will attempt to notify the owner.

27. Addition of Appendix D

28. Glossary:

a. Addition: Emotional Support Animal: Animals which provide comfort to persons with emotional or psychological disabilities, but do not perform specific tasks tailored to the individual's needs. Emotional support animals are not classified as service animals for the purposes of this policy.

b. Addition: Service animal: A service animal is legally defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (1990) as any animal that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of a person with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Federal laws protect the rights of individuals with disabilities to be accompanied by their service animals in public places. Service animals are not regarded as pets. ADA regulations also recognize miniature horses as service animals when specially trained to perform a task directly related to a person's disability.

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Animal Control and Veterinary Services for Privately Owned Animals

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Chapter 1

General

1-1. Purpose. This regulation prescribes procedures for the possession, control and care of Privately Owned Animals (POAs) to provide for the safety and welfare of all individuals on USAG- Fort Liberty.

1-2. References. References are listed in Appendix A.

1-3. Explanation of abbreviations and Terms. Abbreviations and special terms used in this regulation are explained in the Glossary.

1-4. Compliance.

a. Fort Liberty is defined as Fort Liberty, all outlying housing areas, and any land owned by, leased to, or otherwise controlled by Fort Liberty.

b. Maintaining a POA is a privilege. This privilege is dependent upon the animal's continuing ability to live harmoniously within the military community and the owner's compliance with the provisions of this regulation. The Garrison Commander has the authority to withdraw this privilege.

c. The provisions in this regulation constitute a general order and are punitive. Military personnel who fail to comply with this regulation are subject to judicial or non- judicial action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), or appropriate administrative action.

d. Civilians who violate this regulation may be barred from post, referred to Civilian authorities, or subject to disciplinary and administrative action according to appropriate Civilian personnel regulations.

Chapter 2

Responsibilities

2-1. Installation Veterinarian.

a. Oversee the procedures prescribed in this regulation regarding registration and care of privately owned animals maintained on Fort Liberty. The Veterinary Center (VETCEN) will provide Housing Registration Memo for Corvias Housing (after all veterinary requirements are completed). It is the responsibility of the pet owner to maintain possession of the housing registration memorandum. If the housing registration memorandum is not in possession, the pet will be assumed un-registered.

b. Provide veterinary medical opinion in cases of animal abuse and neglect.

c. Maintain surveillance of zoonotic disease conditions and recommend control measures to prevent the introduction or spread of these diseases.

d. Verify vaccination, required test, and microchip status of POAs treated at the Veterinary Center (VETCEN).

e. Issue Rabies Certificate and Fort Liberty tag for valid Rabies vaccination.

2-2. Corvias Military Housing.

a. Distribute information on pet ownership requirements prior to or upon acceptance of housing application, whether the sponsor has a privately owned animal or not.

b. Assist in identification of pets residing in housing.

2-3. Military Housing Office (MHO). Provide information regarding pet ownership requirements and this policy during the plain language briefing provided to Tenants prior to occupancy of housing.

2-4. Provost Marshal Office (PMO).

a. Enforce the capture of stray or loose animals.

b. Request assistance from the Installation Veterinarian in the investigation of animal abuse/neglect cases.

c. Assist in identifying pets not wearing a metal Rabies tag. Assist in pet violation investigation, when needed, and forward a report of the pet investigation to the Garrison Commander with copy furnished to VETCEN.

d. Provide a Law Enforcement Report through the Freedom of Information Act Office to the violator. The Residential Communities Initiative (RCI), Corvias Military Housing, VETCEN and Garrison Commander's Office will receive the information via the Law Enforcement Daily Blotter. The VETCEN will retain copies of the notification for inclusion in the animal's Veterinary Treatment Record (VTR).

e. When applicable, issue citations for violation of this regulation.

2-5. Pet Owners.

a. Provide proof of all required vaccinations, tests, and microchip status of their pets to the VETCEN prior to acquiring on-post housing, or within 30 days upon acquisition of a new pet. Owners/sponsors must notify Fort Liberty Veterinary Services and the applicable Neighborhood Center of Corvias Military Housing of animals that have died or that they no longer own so the records can be removed from the files.

b. Provide sufficient wholesome food and adequate water in a tip-proof container. Water must be replenished several times during the day to prevent contamination and to keep the pet well hydrated. Owners must seek and pay for Civilian veterinary care for services that the VETCEN cannot provide.

c. Prevent their pets from becoming a nuisance or menace to other persons, animals, or property. Owners are responsible for controlling all POAs to prevent them from biting or injuring people or other animals, and for preventing their interference with official reviews, ceremonies, and parades.

d. House pets indoors or secure pets outside the home within an approved fenced yard or in a regulation-sized kennel, which must be kept in the back yard of the home. Shelter and Kennel requirements are listed in Appendix B and C. Pets in unfenced yards or on a tether or chain are not allowed. Pets housed outdoors must be provided with shade from the sun and protection from inclement weather. Dogs and cats are to be always kept on a leash and under the owner's supervision and control when outside the home or yard. Leashes will be either the retractable type, or if not retractable, no longer than 6 feet. Any animals found running loose or abandoned on Fort Liberty will be impounded by PMO until proper disposition can be made.

e. Clean up any waste deposited by their pet daily, and prevent any damage to trees, shrubbery, flowers, and lawns. The owner is responsible for picking up his or her animal's waste no matter where it is deposited (yards, common areas, grounds in the neighborhood, etc.).

f. Provide proper shelter when pet is housed or kept outdoors. The shelter shall be a moisture-proof and windproof structure. The size must accommodate the entire body of the pet to allow it to stand up, turn around, and allow retention of body heat. The shelter must be made of durable material with a solid floor raised at least two inches from the ground. The entrance shall be covered by a flexible windproof material, self-closing swinging door, or wind baffle. (Appendix B shows an acceptable animal shelter.) The design and material used for the shelter must be approved and inspected by Public Works Business Center (DPW) Housing Engineer. The structure will contain a sufficient quantity of bedding material consisting of hay, straw, cedar shavings, or equivalent to provide insulation and promote retention of body heat. If the temperature falls below zero degrees Fahrenheit, pets should not remain outside for more than one hour.

g. Keep an unspayed female pet inside quarters (except for short, supervised exercise breaks during her heat period) to prevent entry of male pets into the area.

h. Humanely dispose of unwanted pets or pets that cannot be adequately cared for. This can be achieved by finding the pet a new home or bringing the pet to a local animal control facility (Harnett County Animal Control- Linden Oaks; Cumberland County Animal Control- Fort Liberty (excluding Linden Oaks)), however, acceptance at these facilities is based on availability of space. Owners residing on Fort Liberty who bring unwanted pets to local animal control facilities must provide the facility proof of residence on Fort Liberty as well as the owner's

name, address, and phone number for inclusion in the facility's monthly report to the Garrison through DPW Pest Management.

- i. Abide by published quarantine procedures
- j. Out-process through the VETCEN and obtain pet health records upon reassignment from Fort Liberty.
- k. Abide by all requirements for pet registration, housing and vaccination as prescribed by this regulation, applicable DA and DOD publications, Corvias Military Housing Resident Responsibility Guide and State Law.

2-6. Vehicle Operators. Motor vehicle operators who strike a domestic animal must report the incident immediately to the animal's owner. If the owner cannot be identified, the operator must report the animal's location to the PMO.

Chapter 3

Limitations

3-1. Applicability. Paragraphs 3-2, 3-4, and 3-5 do not apply to service animals as defined by this policy. Department of Justice guidelines implementing the service dog provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act prohibits exclusion of a service dog based on assumptions or stereotypes about the animal's breed or how the animal may behave and guidance in 40 USC 291, Admission of Guide Dogs Accompanied by Blind Masters, allows service dogs to go anywhere their owners are authorized, so long as they are under control.

3-2. General.

- a. Owners are limited to ownership or maintenance of two dogs and/or cats in any combination per household or Family housing unit.
- b. Privately owned animals shall not be kept in barracks or other troop unit facilities. A unit mascot may be kept in an appropriate kennel outside the living quarters upon approval of the unit commander, and subject to the conditions established by the Installation Veterinarian.
- c. Pets are not permitted at the transient quarters, tennis courts, golf course, swimming pool enclosures, playgrounds, or any other recreational facilities including laundry rooms, offices, and clubrooms at any time.
- d. Pets are not permitted in public buildings except those designed for their use or care.
- e. The Fort Liberty VETCEN will not provide services for or in support of breeding animals or animals raised for sale or profit IAW AR 40-905, paragraph 3-4i.
- f. Livestock (e.g., domestic farm animals including potbellied pigs and poultry) shall not be maintained on the installation.

3-3. Prohibited Animals. The following animals shall not be maintained as pets or housed on Fort Liberty:

- a. Sylvatic animals.
- b. Exotic animals.
- c. Dogs specified in paragraph 3-4 below.
- d. Dangerous animals as specified in paragraph 3-6 below

3-4. Breed Restrictions. The following breeds or mixed breeds of dogs are not permitted on Fort Liberty: American Pit Bull Terrier, American Bully, American Staffordshire Terrier, English Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Rottweiler, Presa Canarios, Chow Chow, Doberman Pinscher and Wolf or Wolf Hybrid.

3-5. Weight Limitations. Any dog, regardless of breed, weighing more than 50 pounds, must be AKC Canine Good Citizen certified prior to being housed on Fort Liberty. Owners shall provide Corvias with their pet's AKC Canine Good Citizen certificate for review as part of the application packet to house animals on the installation. Dogs over 50 pounds that reside on Fort Liberty prior to the publication of this regulation will be allowed to remain until the Owner/Sponsor moves or ownership of the animal ceases, whichever comes first.

3-6. Dangerous Animals. Any dog determined to be dangerous by the Garrison Commander or designated representative (to include the Installation Veterinarian and Provost Marshal) is prohibited from being housed on Fort Liberty. Any animal already residing on Fort Liberty that is determined to be dangerous will be removed from Fort Liberty within seven calendar days of written notice from the Garrison Commander or designated representative, or the animal will be impounded and disposed of at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian. If the owner appeals the decision of the Garrison Commander or designated representative as provided for under Sections 11-3 of this Policy, the animal must be removed within seven calendar days of the Garrison Commander's final decision denying the Owner's appeal. The Garrison Commander or designated representative will determine a dog to be dangerous or vicious based on documented history of bites, harassing behavior, or other dangerous activity collected by Corvias Military Housing and/or observation.

3-7. Request for Exceptions and Appeals.

- a. Appeals to actions taken or proposed, other than actions under the UCMJ, must be made in writing with complete justification through Corvias to the Garrison Commander. Appeals must be made within three working days of notification of any proposed action.

b. Exceptions to the policy to house emotional support animals that would otherwise violate the limitations outlined in 3-3 and 3-5 must be requested from the Garrison Commander through the MHO. The owner must maintain a copy of their approved exception to policy at all times. If the owner is unable to produce their approved exception to policy upon request, the animal will be considered prohibited. Exceptions can be denied and permission to house an animal on the installation can be revoked at any time if the animal is deemed to be aggressive or dangerous as previously defined by this policy. Requests must be in writing and include a sworn statement attesting to the individual's need for an emotional support animal and attesting that the animal is not a risk to public health or safety.

Chapter 4

Operation of the Veterinary Center

4-1. General.

a. An essential mission of the Fort Liberty VETCEN is the prevention of zoonotic diseases or those diseases that pose a community health problem. The VETCEN provides economical and professional care for POAs that are within the limits of AR 40-905 and staffing abilities.

b. Animal care services include health examination, immunizations, examination and treatment for parasites, and diagnosis and treatment for zoonotic diseases. Medical cases requiring hospitalization or extensive diagnostic testing cannot be undertaken.

4-2. Appointment Policy. Appointments are made by telephoning the VETCEN appointment line at (910) 396-9120 or (910) 396-6473 between 0830-1530 Monday through Friday. Appointments must be cancelled at least 24 hours in advance to avoid being considered a "No-Show." Three no-shows per family, within a year, will result in suspension of VETCEN privileges for one year.

4-3. Change of Ownership. If a pet registered at the VETCEN is sold or given away, but remains on post, the new owner must re-register the pet within 30 days of acquisition.

4-4. Pets of Guests. Pets of guests staying with Soldiers in the housing areas need not be registered but shall be the responsibility of the sponsor. The sponsor must ensure the pet does not present a threat to the health or safety of other persons or animals on Fort Liberty. If the animal is maintained in military housing for greater than 30 days, it must be registered as specified under paragraph 2-4.

Chapter 5

Animal Registration

5-1. Companion Animals

a. All dogs and cats over three months of age kept on Fort Liberty must be registered at the VETCEN prior to acceptance of on-post housing.

b. Each animal registered at the VETCEN will be issued a memorandum for housing and a DD Form 2208, Rabies Vaccination Certificate, and a pre-numbered Fort Liberty metal rabies tag. The tag shall be affixed to a sturdy collar or harness and must be on the animal at all times.

c. The animal, if not already microchipped, will be microchipped with all costs incurred by the owner.

5-2. Horses

a. All horses initially arriving on the installation will be placed in quarantine under the observation of a military veterinarian for a period of not less than ten days.

b. The owner must show proof of a negative Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) test within the previous 12 months. The owner must also present proof of current vaccinations for the following diseases:

(1) Rabies – within 12 months.

(2) Tetanus – within 12 months.

(3) Rhinopneumonitis – within 12 months.

(4) Eastern Equine Encephalitis – within six months.

(5) Western Equine Encephalitis – within six months.

(6) Influenza – within six months.

(7) West Nile Virus – within six months.

c. At the end of the quarantine period, a horse that has a current negative EIA test, current immunizations, and is in good health will be released to its owner by a military veterinarian. Owners are responsible for the costs of all tests and vaccinations required prior to release from quarantine. Currently, the VETCEN does not support POA horses; vaccinations and EIA testing must be coordinated through a private veterinarian licensed in the state of North Carolina.

d. Horses are considered registered on Fort Liberty upon release from quarantine by a military veterinarian.

Chapter 6

Required Vaccinations, Tests and Microchip

6-1. General

a. All vaccinations must be given by, or under the direct supervision of, a licensed veterinarian; vaccinations administered by laypersons (i.e. breeder, owner, farrier, pet store) will not be recognized as valid. If Civilian veterinary services are used, a vaccination form or a letter signed by the veterinarian must be presented to the VETCEN.

b. A Rabies certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian is the only valid proof of a Rabies vaccination.

c. As of the publication date of this regulation, the guidelines in paragraphs 6-2 and 6-3 are applicable. The Installation Veterinarian has the authority to update these regulations based on standards of veterinary medicine and State Laws (check the VETCEN for current requirements).

6-2. Dogs and Cats

a. All dogs and cats at Fort Liberty shall be vaccinated, tested and microchipped, at the owner's expense, IAW State Laws and at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian.

b. Dogs and cats between three and twelve months old must be vaccinated against Rabies and revaccinated the following year. After the second vaccination, the pet must be revaccinated at least every three years.

c. All dogs between three and twelve months old must be fully vaccinated for Distemper, Hepatitis, Parainfluenza, and Parvovirus (DHPP), then revaccinated the following year. After the second vaccination, the pet must be revaccinated at least every three years.

d. All cats between three and twelve months old must be fully vaccinated for Rhinotracheitis, Calicivirus, and Panleukopenia (FVRCP), then revaccinated the following year. After the second vaccination, the pet must be revaccinated at least every three years. All cats between three and twelve months old must be vaccinated for Feline Leukemia (FeLV); indoor-only cats do not require revaccination, but cats that go outdoors require annual revaccination.

e. All dogs and cats must have an annual fecal exam check for intestinal parasites.

f. All dogs must be tested annually and be maintained on an approved heartworm preventative.

6-3. Horses

a. All horses must be immunized annually for Rabies, Tetanus, Rhinopneumonitis, and semi- annually for equine encephalitis (Eastern and Western (EEE and WEE)), Influenza and

West Nile Virus (WNV). If Civilian veterinarians are used, proof of vaccination must be given to the VETCEN. Proof of vaccination is a form or letter signed by a licensed veterinarian.

b. All horses must be tested annually for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA). Any horse found positive for EIA will be reported to the North Carolina State Veterinarian, who will then direct disposition of the affected horse(s).

c. All horses will be dewormed according to a schedule and with a product outlined by the Installation Veterinarian.

Chapter 7

Prohibited Acts

7-1. Prohibited acts. The following acts are cause for disciplinary action:

- a. Leaving a pet unattended in a parked vehicle.
- b. Cruelly treating, tormenting, overloading, overworking, or otherwise abusing an animal.
- c. Willfully using any known poisonous or noxious substance in areas accessible to pets unless such use is IAW an officially established pest control program.
- d. Repeatedly provoking and antagonizing an animal.
- e. Depriving any animal of food, drink or shelter.
- f. Abandonment of any cat, dog or other animal kept as a pet.
- g. Failing to discharge the responsibilities of a pet owner, as specified in this regulation.

7-2. Disciplinary action. Disciplinary action may include revocation of the Owner/Sponsor's ability to maintain pets on Fort Liberty, revocation of VTF privileges, and/or punishment under the UCMJ or other applicable laws or regulations.

Chapter 8

Loose or Stray Animals

8-1. Apprehension. All animals and pets roaming freely on Fort Liberty will be apprehended and impounded by the County Animal Control Services (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty).

8-2. Impoundment. Impounded pets will be brought directly to the assigned County Animal Control (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty). The County will house

impounded pets for 72 hours and attempt to notify the owner if the pet is wearing a registration tag or microchipped. If ownership is not established by the end of the 72-hour holding period, the animal will be adopted or humanely disposed of by the County.

8-3. Release of Impounded Pets. An owner may obtain the release of the impounded animal from the Assigned County Animal Control (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty) by paying fees incurred for maintenance for its maintenance and all costs associated with correcting the deficiencies in the pet's vaccination, test, and microchip status. The Assigned County Animal Control will provide a monthly report to the Garrison through DPW Pest Management of all impounded animals reclaimed by their owners.

8-4. Notification of Pet Owners. The Garrison Commander will issue a notification letter to the owner of any impounded animal, with copy furnished to the MHO. The first notification will be a warning; the second notification will revoke the Owner/Sponsor's ability to maintain pets on Fort Liberty.

8-5. Wild or feral animals. Trapped feral cats and other wild animals shall be the responsibility of Directorate of Public Works (DPW), Pest Management Section. Trapped feral cats may be taken to the Assigned County Animal Control (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty) if resources permit.

Chapter 9

Abuse/Neglect Complaints and Investigations

9-1. Complaints. Any person may complain to the appropriate Army Family Housing Unit Sponsor, or to the Provost Marshal in situations where there is suspicion of violation of set provisions or 7 USC 2158, Animal Welfare Act.

9-2. Investigations.

a. The Provost Marshal will investigate all complaints of animal abuse/neglect and, if the complaint has justification, submit a report to the Garrison Commander with appropriate recommendations. The Installation Veterinarian will assist in the investigation, if requested.

b. Owned animals suspected of being abused will be brought to the Fort Liberty VETCEN for evaluation and initial treatment. Owners will be responsible for all treatment costs incurred at the VETCEN. Treatment at the VETCEN will not extend past a 48-hour period. Once the animal is deemed to be stable, it will be transported to the assigned County Animal Control (Harnett: Linden Oaks; Cumberland: Remainder of Fort Liberty). The assigned County Animal Control will hold the animal for a maximum of 20 days while the investigation is ongoing.

Chapter 10

Zoonotic Disease

10-1. Pets that bite or scratch humans

- a. If a bite or scratch results in initiation of DD Form 2341, Report of Animal Bite-Potential Rabies Exposure, the Fort Liberty VETCEN will notify the pet owner to present the pet for examination and 10-day at-home quarantine. If the animal resides on post, the animal will be examined at the Fort Liberty VETCEN. If the animal resides off post, the animal will be observed by the assigned County Animal Control. Owners must not destroy, give away, sell, or otherwise dispose of the pet until completion of the quarantine period.
- b. Quarantine procedures are initiated regardless of the circumstances. The pet may be held at the owner's quarters or the assigned County Animal Control at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian or a designated representative. Factors considered include the Rabies vaccination status of the pet, its health and temperament, the demonstrated ability of the owner to comply with these provisions, and any other factors pertinent to the situation.
- c. Before the Home Quarantine, the pet owner must sign DD Form 2623. The pet may be held at the owner's quarters or the assigned County Animal Control (at the discretion of the Installation Veterinarian or Designated Representative).
- d. Any animal that becomes ill or dies during quarantine will be tested for Rabies. If an animal becomes ill or dies in home quarantine, the owner **MUST** promptly deliver the animal to the Fort Liberty Veterinary Center or assigned County Animal Control for Rabies Testing.
- e. The Garrison Commander, Fort Liberty Veterinary Center, or assigned County Animal Control will issue a notification letter to the owner of any animal involved in a bite. The first notification will be a warning; the second notification will revoke the Owner/Sponsor's ability to maintain pets on Fort Liberty.

10-2. Animals Behaving Strangely

- a. Any person who observes an animal showing unusual or threatening behavior shall notify the Provost Marshal. The assigned County Animal Control will take immediate steps to apprehend and impound the animal at the Fort Liberty Veterinary Center no longer than 48 hours. Once the 48-hour time period has passed, animal will be moved to the assigned County Animal Control.
- b. The Installation Veterinarian or On-Call Veterinarian will determine if Rabies testing is warranted.

10-3. Disease Outbreak Quarantine Procedures

- a. Any federal or state quarantine initiated for the control of a zoonotic or animal disease outbreak that may affect Fort Liberty will engender appropriate Fort Liberty quarantine procedures.
- b. The Installation Veterinarian, in conjunction with Preventive Medicine Services, will collect and disseminate epidemiological information that may affect the status of a quarantine. All Fort Liberty activities/individuals will assist when requested.

Chapter 11

Removal of Animals from Fort Liberty

11-1. Recommendation for Removal. The Provost Marshall, Installation Veterinarian, and/or MHO (or their designated representative) may recommend that the Garrison Commander take action against an Owner/Sponsor for violations of this regulation, more than one bite incident, more than one impoundment, or if the animal is deemed to be dangerous or vicious.

11-2. Authority to Remove Animals. The Garrison Commander or designated representative may direct that specific animals be removed from Fort Liberty or may revoke an Owner's ability to maintain pets on Fort Liberty.

11-3. Appeals. The owner will be notified in writing of this decision and will have the opportunity to appeal in writing through the MHO, to the Garrison Commander within three working days of the notification.

Chapter 12

Disposition of Deceased Animals

12-1. Owned Animals. Owners are responsible for disposal of dead pets. Dead pets may be brought to the Fort Liberty VETCEN for disposal during duty hours; cost is paid by the owner. If the pet is registered at the VTF, the owner should notify the VTF so that the pet's health record can be removed from the active file.

12-2. Animals Found Dead.

- a. Animals (domestic and wild) found dead on Fort Liberty (including roads) will be reported to DPW Pest Management Section. The DPW will dispose of the animal or deliver the remains to the Fort Liberty Veterinary Center. If the carcass is a pet, wearing a Fort Liberty metal registration tag, the Fort Liberty Veterinary Center will attempt to notify the owner.

- b. All animals that die or are found dead on Fort Liberty are subject to necropsy by the Installation Veterinarian when professional judgment deems it necessary.

c. If an unusual number of animals are found dead in a small area or over a condensed period of time, DPW will immediately notify the Installation Veterinarian to investigate.

Appendix A References

Section I Required References

U.S.C.
7 USC 2158 (Animal Welfare Act)

AR 40-905
Veterinary Health Services, 29 Aug 2006

Section II Related References

40 USC 291 (Admission of Guide Dogs Accompanied by Blind Masters)

2015 Corvias Resident Responsibility Guide

2015 TB MED 4: DoD Human-Animal Bond Program Principles and Guidelines

2017 Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA) between the United States and Harnett County, NC

2021 Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA) between the United States and Cumberland County, NC

2023 MEDCEN Memo No. 40-5: Department of Public Health: Rabies Prophylaxis and Management for Potential Rabies Exposure Cases

Section III Prescribed Forms

DD Form 2208
Rabies Vaccination Certificate

DD Form 2341
Report of Animal Bite - Potential Rabies Exposure

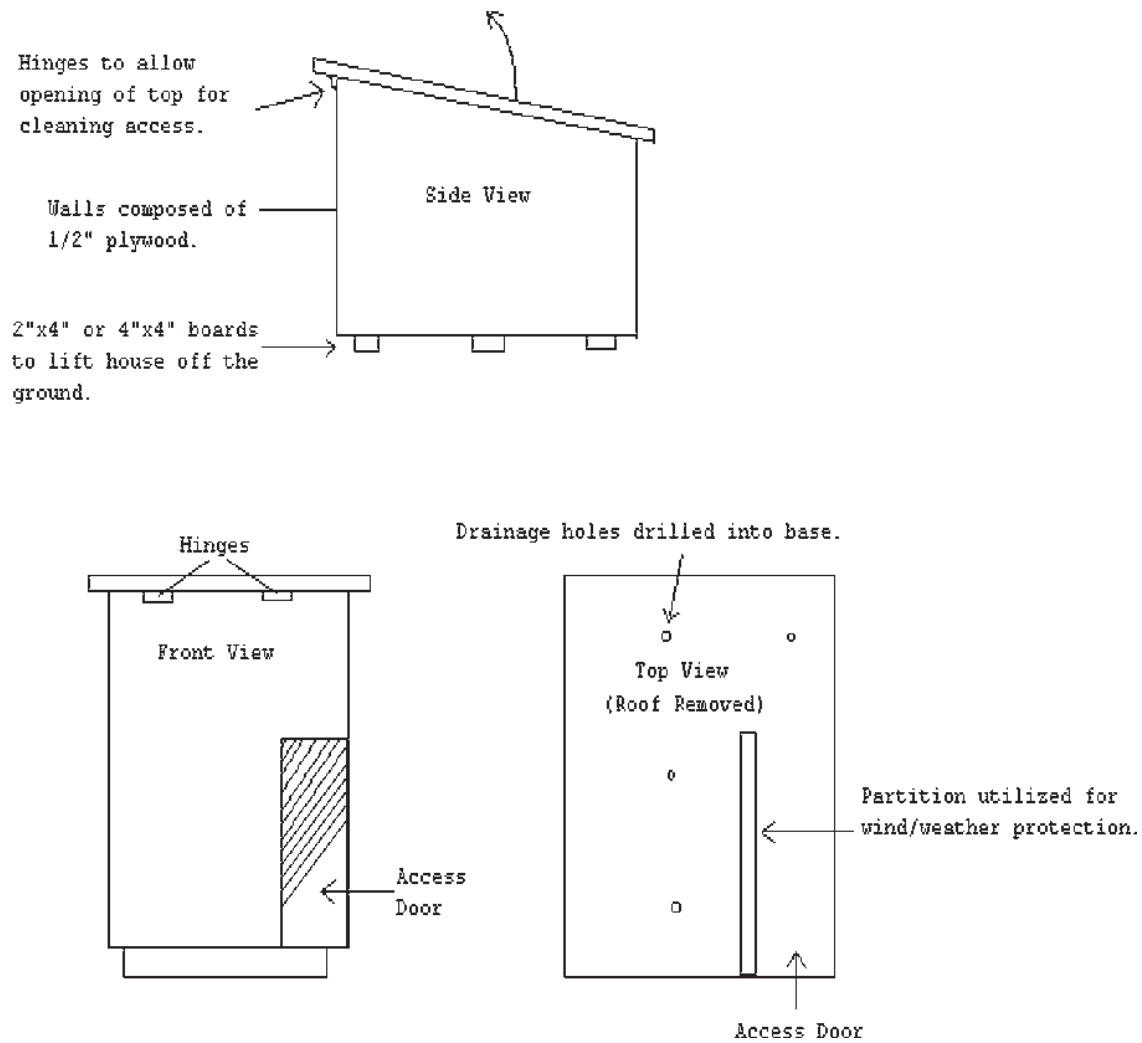
DD Form 2623
Animal Home Quarantine

Section IV Related Forms

This section contains no entries.

Appendix B

POA Shelter Construction Requirements



Appendix C

POA Kennel Requirements

If you elect to purchase a kennel for your pet, the following are minimum guidelines for kennel size from the Humane Society of the United States and based on the size and number of pets are:

Number of Dogs	Under 50 lbs.	Over 50 lbs.
1	6 x 10 (60 sq. feet)	8 x 10 (80 sq. feet)
2	8 x 10 (80 sq. feet)	8 x 12 (96 sq. feet)

Kennels must be constructed of heavy-duty chain link fencing material and each kennel must include a vinyl type cover specifically designed for the kennel purchased. Kennels may be purchased at pet supply stores or other retail outlets. They can also be purchased online at pet supply warehouses. Residents that presently own pets prior to this policy's effective date will be given a three-month period in which to comply with this regulation. New residents are required to comply within 30 days of occupancy

Appendix D



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND
HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON, FORT LIBERTY
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FORT LIBERTY, NC 28310-5000

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Exception to Policy to House a Support Animal Classified as a restricted Breed Within Fort Liberty Regulation 40-5

1. Owner's Name: _____
2. Contact Number: (____) ____-_____
3. Animal's Name: _____
4. Description of the Animal (including weight):

5. Health and Behavior Statement (initial by each statement)
 - a. ____ I certify that my animal is vaccinated for rabies as of _____.
 - b. ____ I certify that to my knowledge; my animal does not have fleas or ticks or a disease that would endanger people or other animals
 - c. ____ I certify that my animal is a medical/therapeutic necessity based on a legitimate diagnosis or program of treatment from a healthcare professional.
 - d. ____ I certify that my animal has not behaved aggressively or caused serious injury to another person or animal.
6. Personal Statements of Understanding
 - a. ____ I understand that if my animal displays any form of aggression, permission to house the animal on the installation shall be revoked.
 - b. ____ I understand that my animal must follow all other requirements within the FL Reg 40-5.

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c. _____ I understand that this is an official statement and all statements provided are true to the best of my knowledge.

d. _____ I understand that if any information I have provided is false, this exception will be immediately revoked.

Signature of Owner: _____ Date: _____

Corvias Representative: _____ Approve/Disapprove

USAG Liberty Representative: _____ Approve/Disapprove

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Section I Abbreviations

AR

Army Regulation

BEQ

Bachelor Enlisted Quarters

BOQ

Bachelor Officers Quarters

MWR

Morale, Welfare, and Recreation

DD

Department of Defense

EIA

Equine Infectious Anemia

FN

File Number

IAW

In Accordance With

MHO

Military Housing Office

PMO

Provost Marshal Office or designated representative (to include DA and Military Police)

POA

Privately Owned Animal

DPW

Directorate of Public Works

UCMJ

Uniform Code of Military Justice

USC
United States Code

VETCEN
Veterinary Center

VTF
Veterinary Treatment Facility

Section II

Terms

Animal
Any living being having the ability to move; presence of a nervous system; responds to stimuli; requires nourishment. Sometimes used interchangeably with "pet."

Army Family Housing
Government housing at Fort Liberty and in outlying housing areas such as (but not limited to) Heritage Village and Linden Oaks.

Commercial Purposes
Receiving any compensation for offspring or breeding services.

Emotional Support Animal
Animals which provide comfort to persons with emotional or psychological disabilities, but do not perform specific tasks tailored to the individual's needs. Emotional support animals are not classified as service animals for the purposes of this policy.

Exotic Animal
Any animal that is not fully domesticated or one normally restricted to zoo-type confinements, to include, but not limited to, bats, prairie dogs, hedgehogs, sugar gliders, ferrets, monkeys or other non-human primate and snakes; Any animal prohibited from being kept as a pet under Federal Law/Code, DOD or Army Regulation/Policy or the laws of the State of North Carolina.

Fort Liberty
Fort Liberty, all outlying housing areas, and any land owned by, leased to or otherwise controlled by Fort Liberty.

Horse
Any equine (horse, pony, donkey, mule).

Livestock
Domestic farm animals (e.g., cattle, pigs, sheep, goats, turkeys, chickens, ducks, etc).

No-Show

Failure to appear for a scheduled appointment, cancelling less than 24 hours before a scheduled appointment or arriving more than 10 minutes late for an appointment.

Nuisance

That which causes trouble, annoyance (e.g., continued and repeated howling, prolonged barking, whining, or other utterances that cause unreasonable annoyance, disturbance or discomfort to neighbors or others in close proximity to the premises where the animal resides), or damage to private or public property.

Owner

A person owning, keeping or harboring an animal; a person with primary responsibility for the animal's care and control; normally the sponsor. The service member residing in Fort Liberty housing shall be deemed the pet owner of any pet owned, kept, or harbored within their home.

Pet

A domesticated or tamed animal that is cared for affectionately (e.g., dog, cat, hamsters, gerbils, caged small animals, caged birds, etc.). Sometimes used interchangeably with "Privately Owned Animals (POA)".

Service Animal

A service animal is legally defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (1990) ("ADA") as any animal that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of a person with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Federal laws protect the rights of individuals with disabilities to be accompanied by their service animals in public places. Service animals are not regarded as pets. ADA regulations also recognize miniature horses as service animals when specially trained to perform a task directly related to a person's disability.

Stray

An animal that is caught wandering about without an owner.

Sylvatic animal

Animals normally associated with those living in the woods, e.g., skunks, raccoons, ferrets, snakes, wolves or wolf-hybrids.

Zoonotic

Transmissible from animal to man or man to animal

Section III**Special Abbreviations and Terms**

This section contains no entries.