

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND PACIFIC HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON DAEGU UNIT #15746 APO AP 96218-5746

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MEMORANDUM FOR All Service Members Assigned or Attached to the Daegu, AREA IV Installations

SUBJECT: United States Army Garrison (USAG) Daegu Command Policy Letter #25, Control of Pets in Army Family Housing and Unaccompanied Housing

## References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 40-905, Veterinary Health Services, 29 August 2006.
- b. AR 420-1, Army Facilities Management, 12 February 2008.
- c. Army Policy Domestic Animals on Army Installations (undated).
- d. Department of Defense Instructions (DoDI) 4150.07, DoD Pest Management,
   26 Dec 2019.
- e. HQ, United States Army Installation Management Command (IMCOM)
  OPORDER 15-16-029, 7 Jan 16, Subject: IMCOM Stray Animal Program Guidance.
- f. United States Forces Korea Regulation 40-5 Pet Control and Veterinary Services for Domestic Pets, 21 June 2007.
  - q. USAG Daegu Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPMP) 2022.
- 2. Purpose: To establish policy, guidelines, and responsibility for pets on USAG Daegu installations.
- 3. Applicability: This policy applies to all personnel bringing animals onto USAG Daegu installations for any reason. This includes Soldiers and DoD Civilians residing in government owned housing, both unaccompanied housing and family housing.

## 4. Definitions:

a. Stray animals are defined as unowned or feral dogs and cats.

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- b. Domestic pets are defined as owned dogs or cats. Signs of ownership can include presence of a microchip, collar, good physical condition, or friendly temperament towards humans.
- c. Exotic animals are defined as fish, birds, reptiles, amphibians, rodents, rabbits, hedgehogs, sugargliders, chinchillas, ferrets, monkeys, and other similar type animals. In the event there is a conflict as to whether a resident's pet is considered exotic, a final decision will be made by the Garrison Commander after consultation with the Branch Chief of Camp Walker Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF).
- d. Livestock are defined as pigs, cattle, goats, horses, sheep, camelids, waterfowl, and poultry.
- e. Service animals are defined as dogs that are individually trained to do work or perform tasks for people with disabilities.
- f. 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 VTF. Unit mascots are subject to this pet policy. Unit mascots are government owned 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 VTF 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 Chief, Clinical Operations, 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 be responsible for reimbursing the attending VTF for the full costs of all services and medications provided over the preceding 24 months.
- 5. Stray Animal Control: Control of stray animals is a very sensitive undertaking. The longer a stray remains uncontrolled, the more it poses a threat to personnel, pets, and wildlife. To effectively control stray animals:
- a. Installation personnel will not provide food, water, or shelter to stray animals or wild animals.
- b. Personnel will not tamper with, or release captured uncontrolled cats, dogs, or wild animals from traps.

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- c. Breeding of animals in military family housing is prohibited.
- d. When stray animals are identified, call and notify the Directorate of Public Works Service Order desk at 315-763-4824 for capture and removal. All animals should be examined by the Camp Walker VTF and scanned for a microchip prior to removal from the installation. If the animal is involved in a bite report, the Camp Walker Veterinarian must determine if quarantine or rabies testing is necessary prior to removal from the installation.

## 6. Pet Control:

- a. Residents of Unaccompanied Housing and Barracks are not authorized domestic pets.
- b. Other post residents are limited to two domestic pets per household. Children under 10 years old are not authorized to walk/exercise pets without an accompanying family adult. Pet owners must have disposable waste bags when pets are outdoors and pick up their pet feces.
- c. Allowed species of exotic pets in family housing in USAG Daegu installations are insert allowed species here.
- d. All other species of exotic pets are prohibited in housing on USAG Daegu installations.
- e. Non-family members and guests of USAG Daegu housing tenants are prohibited from bringing any animals onto the installation, except for authorized personnel bringing animals to the Camp Walker VTF.
- f. Upon in-processing with the Housing Office, applicants who are authorized to bring domestic pets to Korea will initiate a Pet Registration Form at the Camp Walker VTF. Applicants will acknowledge that they have read, understand, and will comply with all provisions outlined in this policy.
- g. Residents, employees, contractors, or visitors may not bring on any installation, any dog that is deemed aggressive/dangerous or potentially aggressive/dangerous. This prohibition also extends to other dogs that demonstrate a propensity for dominant or aggressive/dangerous behavior as indicated by any of the following types of conduct:
  - (1) Unprovoked barking, growling, or snarling when people are present.
  - (2) Aggressively running along fence lines when people are present.

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- (3) Biting or scratching people or attacking other pets.
- (4) Escaping confinement or tendency to chase people.
- h. If a Service Member has authorization to bring onto an installation (for example to receive veterinary services) a dog that fits the above description of an aggressive dog or potentially aggressive dog, the dog must be muzzled at all times while on the installation.
- i. Personnel who violate this policy, or who knowingly bring a domestic or other unauthorized pet to Korea when they have been notified that pets are not authorized, will be subject to removal from or denied government housing.
- j. Personnel who violate this policy and whose government housings are terminated will not be authorized Overseas Housing Allowances.
- k. All pets must be registered at the Camp Walker VTF within 10 days of acquisition or arrival in country.
- I. Dogs must be immunized annually against rabies, distemper/parvovirus combination, and must be tested for heartworm infection and maintained on heartworm preventative with de-wormer year-round. Cats must be immunized against rabies, feline panleukopenia virus multivalent immunization, and be tested for parasites and/or dewormed annually. Exception to this policy will be due to medical reasons only, at the discretion of Camp Walker VTF veterinarian.
- m. Microchipping is mandatory for all pet cats and dogs. Microchipping is a requirement for international pet travel and non combatant evacuation.
  - n. All animal deaths must be reported immediately to the Camp Walker VTF.
- o. All animals will be maintained on a leash. Verbal control is insufficient. It is the owner's responsibility to control the animal, not the citizen's responsibility to avoid the animal.
- p. Animals will not be permitted to enter Unaccompanied Housing, tennis courts, swimming area, exchange facilities, commissaries, theaters, bowling facilities, troop billets, dining facilites, playgrounds, gymnasiums, picnic areas, athletic fields, clubs, or

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any facility where food or drinks are served. Bona fide service animals and military working dogs are exempt from this requirement. Official unit mascots and military working dogs may enter troop billets and Unaccompanied Housing.

- q. Pet owners are responsible for picking up and properly disposing of animal waste no matter where they are on the installation.
- r. Pets found unattended or running free will be controlled by DPW and transported to the Camp Walker VTF for examination and scanning of microchip. Camp Walker VTF does not hold stray animals. Every attempt will be made to locate the owners. If the pet is not claimed by close of business, the pet will be transported to an off post shelter. The pet will then be subject to euthanasia or entered into an adoption program at the discretion of the off post shelter. Animal control is the responsibility of the owner and fines and/or Provost Marshall Office action may be taken for violations.
- s. Owners will not allow pets to disturb neighbors by constant barking, destroying property, or threatening action (e.g., biting, scratching, or aggressive behavior). Animals showing this type of behavior will be removed from housing.
- t. Owner must provide proper food, water, shelter, and exercise for pets as described in Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- u. 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. A statement of charges will be initiated to collect all cost incurred to capture and dispose of an abandoned pet, and owner will be subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice action as a result of abandoning pets.
- v. Any animal involved in a bite case will be presented to the Camp Walker 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.
- w. Commercial operations involving animals, including breeding of animals is prohibited in on post housing. Services at the Camp Walker VTF will not be provided to anyone breeding animals.
- x. Violations of this policy may result in administrative sanctions. Incidents should be reported to USAG Daegu Housing Office and/or the military police. Failure to control animals may result in, at a minimum, the animal being removed from USAG Daegu

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installations and may result in removal of the sponsor/owner from government housing. Citations may be issued by the military police, VTF personnel, installation and building coordinator, or the USAG Daegu Command Group.

- y. Livestock are prohibited on USAG Daegu. The only exception is for special events with prior approval by the Garrison Commander. Livestock must first undergo health examination by the Camp Walker Veterinarian and meet public health requirements (such as rabies vaccination) to prevent zoonotic disease.
- 7. The point of contact for this memorandum is the Chief of Housing at 763-4570.

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