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Control and Care of Pets, Horses, and Transient Animals

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History. This publication is a major revision. The portions affected by this revision are listed in the summary of change.

Summary. This regulation establishes policies, responsibilities, and procedures for domestic animal control and care on Fort Huachuca.

Applicability. This regulation is applicable to all elements of the U.S. Army Intelligence Center of Excellence, U.S. Army Garrison, and all directorates and tenant organizations, including residents and visitors on Fort Huachuca. Military Working Dogs and other dogs used in law enforcement are exempt from this entire regulation except Section 3-6.

Proponent and exception authority. The proponent of this publication is the U.S. Army Garrison Fort Huachuca Commander. The proponent has the authority to approve exceptions or waivers to this publication that are consistent with controlling law and regulations. Activities may request a waiver by providing justification that includes a full analysis of the expected benefits and must include endorsement by the organization's first O6 or GS/GG15.

Supplementation. Supplementation of this regulation is prohibited, except upon approval by the Garrison Commander.

Explanation of abbreviations and terms. Abbreviations and terms used in this publication are explained in the glossary.

Enforcement of this regulation. Violations of provisions of this regulation that constitute state and federal crimes will result in similar penalties to include monetary fines and/or confinement. Violators of this regulation may also incur a suspension or

revocation of pet privileges, housing citation, and loss of housing assignment on post. Personnel subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) who violate the punitive provisions of this regulation may be subject to punishment under the UCMJ, non-judicial or adverse administrative action. Commanders should seek the advice and counsel of their legal advisor when taking action. Department of Army Civilian employees and all other Civilians may lose pet privileges, be ejected and prohibited reentry to Fort Huachuca, and be prosecuted and/or disciplined under applicable statutes or regulations.

Severability. Should any part of this regulation be determined unenforceable or contrary to law for any reason, such part may be eliminated, and its elimination will have no effect on the validity of the remaining parts of the regulation.

Suggested Improvements. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on Department of Army (DA) Form 2028 (*Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms*) to DPW/ENRD, AMIM-HUP-E, Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-7000.

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Punitive Provisions. Sections 2-2a-d, 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, 3-5b.2, 3-6b-e, 3-9a, 3-10, 3-11, and 3-15 of this regulation are punitive and violations of these paragraphs may subject offenders to prosecution under the *Assimilative Crimes Act* (18 USC 13) or administrative, non-judicial punishment or UCMJ action as appropriate.

This regulation supersedes FH Regulation 40-116 (*Control and Care of Pets, Horses, and Transient Animals*), 10 January 2020 and USAG Policy 20-68 (*Leash Policy*), 7 April 2020.

Summary of Change

This major revision –

- Added in the Introduction: Explanation of abbreviations, enforcement of this regulation, and severability, and changed Applicability to Punitive Provisions.
- Revised Section 1-4 added responsibilities for Garrison Commander, Commanders, Preventative Medicine/Fort Huachuca Department of Public Health, Public Affairs Office, Mountain Vista Communities (MVC) and Staff Judge Advocate; and expanded responsibilities for Veterinary Services, Directorate of Emergency Services, Directorate of Public Works/Environmental and Natural Resources Division (ENRD), and Directorate of Family Morale Welfare and Recreation.
- Added Section 2-2c on prohibited breeds and referenced banned breeds in the appropriate sections throughout.
- Expanded Section 2-2d to include MVC pet guidelines.
- Added Section 2-2f on processes for determining banned breeds and pet owner appeals.
- Added Section 3-4d.1.g and h on pet owners' responsibility to assist in recapturing pet, and penalties for failure to maintain control of pets.
- Added Section 3-4d.4 on pet leash requirements.
- Expanded Section 3-5b with ENRD responsibilities for stray animals, feeding strays, and animal impoundment processes.
- Expanded Section 3-5d with processes for owners claiming impounded pets.
- Expanded Section 3-6c on bite or scratch incident processes.
- Added Sections 3-6d, e, and f on bite quarantine processes.
- Expanded Section 3-9 on processes for disposal of dead animals.
- Added Section 3-9c on processes for burial on the fort of Army-owned animals.
- Added Section 3-10 on processes for abuse, cruelty, and neglect cases.
- Expanded Section 3-11b.4 with equine quarantine locations.
- Added Sections 3-12c-g and j on determining qualifications of service animals, banned breed access restrictions, guide dogs, service animal restraints, service animals undergoing training, and aggressive service animals.
- Added Section 3-13 on companion/emotional support animals.
- Added Section 3-14 on violations of the regulation and penalties.
- Combined Appendix References Sections I and II to include all laws and publications by number and/or title.
- Expanded Abbreviations and Acronyms.
- Deleted Section II Terms.
- Added Appendix B, Approved Army-owned animal burial areas with maps.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1-1. Purpose

This regulation establishes procedures and responsibilities and prescribes policies concerning care, possession, and control of any domestic animals on this installation. Animal issues or concerns not covered by this regulation will be forwarded to the Directorate of Public Works (DPW)/Environmental and Natural Resources Division (ENRD) for resolution. This regulation applies to all individuals living, working, or transiting the installation.

1-2. References and forms

Referenced publications and forms are listed on Pages 34-35.

1-3. Explanation of abbreviations and terms

Abbreviations and terms used in this regulation are defined on Pages 35-38.

1-4. Installation Service Responsibilities

a. Garrison Commander (GC)

(1) Exercises overall executive and directive authority for the Fort Huachuca community in matters concerning the protection and control of domestic animals on Fort Huachuca.

(2) Oversees and protects the privileges of Soldiers and family members throughout the installation, ensuring harmony within the community.

(3) Directs appropriate administrative action as deemed necessary to include imposing administrative penalties ranging from warning letters to bars from post.

(4) Approves garrison support agreements for animal control.

(5) Grants exceptions to policy.

b. Commanders

(1) Ensure compliance with the provisions of this regulation.

(2) Execute appropriate action in accordance with the UCMJ for Soldiers who fail to comply with the provisions of this regulation, as advised by legal counsel.

c. Fort Huachuca Veterinary Services (VS)

(1) Is responsible for the overall control and operation of the Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF), Building 30009.

(2) Serves as the Installation Commander's advisor on veterinary preventative medicine. The VS will provide technical guidance regarding implementation of the domestic animal control program and matters concerning the protection and control of domestic animals to the Installation Commander, GC, Directorate of Emergency Services (DES), and ENRD.

(3) Provides guidance to military and Department of Army Civilian personnel who bring their animals onto the installation. Guidance should emphasize responsible owner duties on the installation, including but not limited to:

(a) The VTF registration of any animals living on post or seen at the VTF.

(b) Requirements for microchipping and vaccination.

(4) Provides veterinary health services for animals maintained on Fort Huachuca, to include privately-owned animals (POAs), government-owned animals, and strays collected on the installation, as prescribed by Army Regulation (AR) 40-905 (Veterinary Health Services), this regulation, and Army VS directives. POAs are those owned by personnel who are military ID card holders.

(a) Service for animals maintained on Fort Huachuca include vaccinations, testing, microchip implantation, health care, euthanasia, and other related services IAW AR 40-905.

(b) Examines and treats stray animals that are obviously sick or injured within the first three days of capture by ENRD. Following the initial three days, prior to release for foster, adoption or facility transfer, animal care will be given on an as mission allowable basis under the same requirements as POA care.

(c) Provides emergency veterinary services for government-owned equines and working dogs. The VS does not provide emergency services to POAs.

(5) Coordinates with local and state agencies as required to ensure prompt testing is accomplished for all suspected zoonotic diseases.

(6) Determines whether quarantine of animals involved in bite cases is necessary per Compendium of Animal Rabies Prevention and Control.

(7) Conducts animal disease prevention and control programs to protect personnel, Government-owned animals, and POAs as authorized.

(8) Conducts animal welfare evaluations and determine whether the animal(s) in question are abused, neglected, or maltreated.

(a) This includes using standard practices to determine abuse, neglect, or mistreatment.

(b) If VS determines abuse, neglect, or mistreatment, they will follow Sections 3-8 and 3-10, recommend quarantine during the investigation, and provide care recommendations to ENRD.

(9) Examines animals of alleged abuse, cruelty, and neglect, and report findings on a sworn statement or medical report to DES for final action. Reports suspected abuse, cruelty, and neglect cases to DES.

(10) Advises ENRD on wildlife management, small mammal euthanasia, and necropsy/laboratory submissions for disease concerns (such as rabies).

d. Directorate of Emergency Services

(1) Enforces the applicable requirements of this regulation.

(2) Assists ENRD in responding to animal control complaints when criminal activity such as abuse, neglect, relinquishment, or dangerous domestic animals is suspected or in emergency situations where life, health, or safety of the public could be affected.

(3) Forwards all requests for assistance to ENRD for animal control on Fort Huachuca. Requests for assistance should indicate the following: who made the request, the person's address and telephone number, the nature of their request, and any additional relevant information.

(4) Responds to and investigate complaints of animal cruelty, abuse, neglect, bites, attacks, and other criminal acts relating to animals on Fort Huachuca. Informs DPW Housing, Staff Judge Advocate (SJA), and ENRD of any animal involved in an investigation that may require special handling or quarantine.

(5) Documents all substantiated criminal reports and provide documentation to authorized agencies and the SJA upon request to support action taken by the Military Police (MP)/Provost Marshal on these violations of this regulation.

(6) Cites offenders of this regulation when circumstances require.

(7) Determines the disposition of deceased Army-owned working canines.

e. Directorate of Public Works/Environmental and Natural Resources Division

(1) DPW serves as the primary proponent for this regulation and ENRD executes the domestic animal control program in accordance with established guidelines. Implements all aspects of the program to include contract development, support agreement development, and administration.

(2) Responds to all stray animal complaints, impounds stray animals, and ensures such animals are properly tracked and cared for.

(a) If ENRD contracts out the installation domestic animal control function, the contracting agency will report directly to ENRD and all Fort Huachuca organizations and personnel will still report domestic animal issues to ENRD unless otherwise specified.

(b) ENRD does not investigate complaints in privatized housing such as excessive barking.

(3) Coordinates with organizations identified within this regulation on all matters involving domestic animals, including technical guidance from the VS and SJA on the responsibilities Fort Huachuca has for domestic and stray animals.

(4) Operates the Fort Huachuca Stray Animal Facility (Building 30017) to house stray animals while searching for the owner, or during a legal investigation of neglect or cruelty.

(5) Responds to and transports all sick or injured stray domestic small animals to the VTF for medical evaluation, or to an off-fort veterinary clinic if the VTF is closed.

(6) Assists DES with domestic animal cruelty/neglect complaints involving dogs or cats occurring on the installation.

(7) Assists DES with all animals posing a threat to the public's health or welfare and all animal emergency situations.

(8) Provides appropriate documentation to support action taken by the MPs/Provost Marshal on any violations of this regulation.

(9) Attempts to locate a stray animal's owner to the extent possible through microchip or identification/rabies tags, social media, and other methods, before determining final disposition of the animal.

(10) Coordinates, as appropriate, with local animal control agencies, shelters, or rescue agencies to augment and assist the installation in humanely managing stray animals captured on the installation.

(11) Coordinates with the Public Affairs Officer to foster and/or adopt out unclaimed animals before transporting them to the local animal shelter.

(12) Maintains a 24/7/365 government cell phone for installation personnel to report stray, injured, or problem domestic animals (520-678-8112).

(13) Provides Mountain Vista Communities (MVC) with a monthly list of domestic animals handled by ENRD to include owner's name and address.

(14) Establishes, as appropriate, agreement(s) between the installation and local animal control agencies, shelters, and rescue agencies to pick up or receive the transfer of unclaimed stray animals captured on the installation.

(15) Advises the Installation Commander and GC on matters concerning the protection, control, and health and welfare of domestic animals residing within privatized housing.

f. Directorate of Family Morale Welfare and Recreation

(1) Operates Buffalo Corral for housing government-owned and private equines.

(2) Ensures compliance with this regulation and reports violations to VS.

(3) Develops appropriate plans for the evacuation of animals from the facility in the event of an emergency or other ordered evacuation.

(4) Coordinates with private equine owners for quarantine location on the fort.

g. Preventative Medicine/Fort Huachuca Department of Public Health (DPH)

(1) Establishes an occupational medicine health program for all installation personnel who are occupationally exposed to uncontrolled and possibly unvaccinated cats or dogs.

(2) Occupational Health Clinic determines rabies program requirements, including but not limited to, pre-employment, pre-exposure and post-exposure requirements and periodic monitoring of immunized rabies personnel at a frequency to ensure that protection levels are maintained.

(a) When an immunized person is exposed to or has contact with a known or suspected rabies-infected animal, a DPH, Army Public Health Nurse (APHN) will determine if a booster rabies vaccination is required.

(b) The APHN will determine treatment required for the exposed individual.

(c) When a non-immunized person is exposed to or has contact with a known or suspected rabies-infected animal, a post-exposure treatment should be initiated as soon as possible after exposure unless otherwise directed by the Installation Medical Authority or the exposed individual's physician. The APHN will complete an animal-bite

incident report on DD Form 2341 (*Report of Animal Bite – Potential Rabies Exposure*) and provide it to the VS for verification; ENRD and/or DES can provide demographic information as needed.

(d) When any person or pet is bitten by a vector species (a living organism that transmits an infectious agent from an infected animal to a human or another animal), the APHN shall determine the appropriate course of action for the individual and/or pet.

(3) Chief, Preventative Medicine or DPH or their designee will chair the quarterly rabies advisory board which consists of personnel from APHN/Occupational Health, ENRD, DES, VS, MVC, Public Affairs Office, and any other applicable organizations.

h. Public Affairs Office

(1) Publicizes in installation news outlets (social media, commander's access channel, website, etc.), in coordination with ENRD, the procedures for reporting and dealing with stray animals until properly trained and equipped personnel arrive, as well as installation policies prohibiting the provision of food, water, and shelter to stray cats, dogs, or wild animals, or their release from traps.

(2) Develops and publishes articles, in coordination with ENRD, in installation news outlets on:

(a) Pet owner responsibilities for the humane treatment of their pets and the sanctions for failure to comply with installation policies.

(b) Assisting ENRD in locating owner(s).

(c) When stray cats or dogs at the on-post kennel are available for foster and adoption.

(3) Assists ENRD to partner with local animal control agencies, shelters, and rescue agencies to ensure that the installation presents a live outcomes image to these agencies and the public by the humane handling and disposition of stray animals on the installation.

i. Mountain Vista Communities, the privatized housing partner

(1) Serves as the point of contact for community residents to express their concerns, needs, and recommendations addressing domestic animals in installation housing areas.

(2) Investigates complaints in privatized housing such as excessive barking.

(3) Provides all personnel owning pets, at the time they are assigned family housing, with the Installation Commander's policy pertaining to the proper care and maintenance of their cat or dog and the proper procedures for finding their lost pet(s).

(4) Provides all personnel with their Community Guidelines on pet ownership (Pet Rules and Regulations, in Mountain Vista Communities Resident Guidelines and Community Handbook [June 2021]). Family Housing occupants must register all pets with the Privatized Housing Office by completing a Pet Addendum upon arrival and notify them if they later obtain a cat or dog.

(5) Informs pet owners that they are not allowed to have banned breeds in privatized housing, cannot breed their cats or dogs, nor foster off-post animals (such as for a pet rescue organization).

(6) Maintains a list of all registered pets by owner and address to include species, breed, color, name, and microchip number(s).

(7) Emphasizes to pet owners that failure to comply with the pet policies, rules, and regulations may result in a Housing citation, financial compensation for damages, loss of pet privileges, loss of their housing assignment thus requiring them to move out of family housing and obtain off-post housing, and/or may result in discipline under the UCMJ or other adverse administrative actions.

(8) Notifies residents that they are responsible for in-home quarantine when directed. ENRD and the VS do not provide quarantine quarters.

j. Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security will aid in the burying of Government-owned equine animals when requested.

k. Family Child Care providers (FCC homes)

(1) Will have all animals maintained in the household examined for temperament and health status by the VS prior to being certified and on a recurring basis IAW AR 608-10-1 (Child Development Services), but annually at a minimum.

(2) Ensures all animals will be free of internal and external parasites and current on all required vaccinations.

i. Staff Judge Advocate

(1) Provides legal advice regarding federal, state, local, Army, and Department of Defense regulations, policies and directives relating to the care, disposal, welfare, and vaccination of domestic animals and enforcement of this regulation.

(2) Provides a legal opinion to the GC, based on available information, in cases of neglect or cruelty brought forth by DES, VS, or ENRD.

Chapter 2 Policy

2-1. Policy for privately-owned animals

a. All animals brought onto or kept on Fort Huachuca are included within the meaning of this regulation. Health, safety, and tranquility of the command make it necessary to impose certain limitations, restrictions, and prohibitions.

b. Maintaining an animal on this installation is a privilege and is dependent upon the owner or sponsor following this regulation and the animal's continuing ability to live harmoniously within the military community.

c. The GC may withdraw animal keeping privileges or order removal of offending animals when the requirements of this regulation are violated.

2-2. Types of animals authorized or unauthorized

a. POAs listed below are authorized to be kept on the installation are as follows:

(1) Domestic dogs; excluding hybrids and prohibited breeds listed in Section 2-2c,

(2) Domestic cats; excluding hybrids,

(3) Horses, mules, ponies, donkeys in designated areas. Intact male equines over 6 months of age will not be maintained on this installation without written consent of VS,

(4) Small, caged animals (hamsters, gerbils, guinea pigs, aquarium fish, rabbits), and

(5) Captive-bred species of common caged birds (excluding pigeons).

b. It is prohibited to bring any exotic, wild, non-native animals, or livestock other than equines on the installation for other than official purposes.

(1) Examples of exotic, wild, non-native animals and livestock include but are not limited to fish and reptiles such as alligators, snakes, iguana, electric eels, piranhas, pufferfish, and sharks; wild animals and birds such as monkeys, ferrets, rats, foxes, hedgehogs, raccoons, skunks, squirrels, owls, ostriches, ravens, and falcons, and livestock such as pot-bellied pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, and geese.

(2) Prior written approval from the GC is required to bring exotic, wild, or farm species onto the installation for official purposes.

c. The following breeds (including mixed breeds) are prohibited on Fort Huachuca per Army Policy--Domestic Animals on Army Installations (16 April 2018) with an exception for service animals or when seeking veterinary care:

- (1) Pit Bulls (American Staffordshire Bull terriers or English Staffordshire Bull terriers),
- (2) Rottweilers,
- (3) Doberman Pinschers,
- (4) Chows,
- (5) Wolf hybrids, and,
- (6) Dogs that demonstrate a propensity for dominant or aggressive/dangerous behavior as indicated by any of the following types of conduct:
 - (a) Growling or snarling when people are present,
 - (b) Biting or scratching people, or attacking other pets,
 - (c) Escaping confinement or restriction to chase people.

d. Maintenance of privately-owned animals.

(1) Residents in Privatized Housing are limited to two pets, such as two dogs, two cats, or one dog and one cat. MVC is authorized to waive this limit upon request by a resident after considering the needs of the animal owner/resident, impact to neighboring residents, the expense of additional wear and tear on the dwelling unit, any prior approved waivers, and if any of the dogs or cats claimed by the owner to be a service animal, assistance animal, companion animal, emotional support animal, activity animal, or therapy animal.

(2) There are no restrictions on the number of ornamental fish or small caged pets such as birds, gerbils, guinea pigs and hamsters, but they must be kept in clean and healthy living conditions.

(3) With the exception of service animals, animals will not be kept in barracks, work areas, or other unit facilities. All service animals will be clearly marked and easily identifiable as service animals while outside of a home.

(4) Kennel and breeding operations in Family Housing are prohibited.

(5) Unspayed female pets will be kept in isolation during estrus (heat).

(6) If litters of puppies or kittens occur, the owner must report to MVC and the VS within 10 days.

(7) Privately-owned horses may be stabled at the private mount area and will not exceed the number authorized by Buffalo Corral and this regulation.

e. Requests for exceptions, except as noted, will be made in writing to the GC and the VS.

f. The determination of a dog's breed is at the discretion of the GC or his representative(s), to include the Chief of Housing Division, VS, or any personnel acting in the capacity of an animal control officer. If it is brought to the GC's attention of a possible banned breed or mix of banned breed is located on the installation the following procedures will be followed:

(1) The individual will be given notice that their dog will be referred to a Care and Control panel within two weeks of being identified. At this point the owner of the animal in question may elect to voluntarily remove the animal from the installation. If the owner does not elect to remove the animal the Care and Control panel will convene to provide a recommendation to the GC.

(2) The Care and Control panel will normally consist of four voting members. These members are representatives from the Housing Office, VS, ENRD, and the Commander's Executive Officer or four unbiased personnel designated by the GC.

(3) The members will vote if the animal in question fits a banned breed by a reasonable person's standard and consider any evidence provided by the owner. Evidence, findings, and recommendation will be forwarded to the GC for final decision.

(4) If the GC decides the animal does not meet the qualification for a banned breed then the animal may remain on Fort Huachuca. If it is determined that the animal is a banned breed, the Housing Office in coordination with MVC will issue the GC's decision and order for the removal of the animal to the resident.

(5) Failure to remove an animal following the GC's order to do so may result in a bar to the installation and subsequent notice to vacate on-post housing, in addition to referral of the matter to the Service Member's chain of command. If MVC issues a notice of eviction for a banned breed in housing prior to completion of the process described above, the GC may elect to support the eviction with or without continuing the determination process.

(6) An owner may elect to have a DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) test completed on their dog at their expense. If DNA results show the dog is not a banned breed, then the animal may remain on the fort. If the results show the dog is a banned breed, the dog must be removed from the installation, as stated above.

2-3. Authorized veterinary services and reimbursements.

a. Government-owned animals

(1) Complete veterinary care will be provided for Government-owned animals including equines, working dogs, and unit mascots.

(a) The appropriate authority for Government-owned animals may authorize civilian veterinary care.

(b) Non-appropriated Fund Instrumentality (NAFI) owned animals (any animal used to generate NAFI income) will be provided veterinary services as Government-owned animals, IAW available time and resources. NAFIs owning animals will reimburse the VTF for the services and supplies at a reduced cost.

(c) Stray animals, which become government owned when ENRD cannot assess ownership, will be provided veterinary services.

b. Privately-owned animals

(1) Army veterinary services for POAs will be IAW AR 40-905, this regulation, and Army VS directives and subject to the availability of personnel.

(2) Veterinary services (such as treatment, routine surgical procedures, immunizations, and examinations) are authorized for POAs.

(3) Owners of prohibited breeds (per Section paragraph 2-2c) or animals identified as aggressive are authorized to receive veterinary care on Fort Huachuca for their animals. Prohibited breeds or identified aggressive animals are subject to the following while anywhere on Fort Huachuca:

(a) The Service Member must take the dog directly to the VTF and then take it directly off the installation with no additional detours or stops.

(b) The dog must always be muzzled while on the installation. Muzzles placed for purposes of compliance with this provision should be a basket-style muzzle. This type of muzzle allows for greater safety of the owner and of veterinary personnel and reduces the risk of overheating and respiratory distress of the animal. Owners are encouraged to contact the VTF (520-533-2767) directly if there is any question as to which type of muzzle is most appropriate for their individual pet.

(c) If the dog's medical condition (as determined solely by a VTF veterinarian) is such that placement of a muzzle is not medically advisable, represents direct risk to the animal, or prohibits medical procedures, the dog's muzzle may be removed while under the supervision of VTF personnel, for the purposes of administering medical care.

(d) Dogs may be denied service at the VTF if their temperament prohibits safe handling and represents risk to VTF staff.

(4) Animals maintained for commercial purposes, sale, or profit, such as breeding animals, are not authorized services.

(5) Emergency procedures required to prevent undue suffering or to save the life, limb, or eyesight of the animal may be performed, within the limitations of the facility and at the discretion of the on-duty veterinarian.

(6) Those veterinary procedures commonly recognized by the veterinary profession as cosmetic and elective surgery, to include surgical neutering, will be performed on POAs as time, personnel, and resources allow.

(7) No boarding of POAs will be done at the VTF.

c. Payment for Services: POAs will be cared for to the extent authorized by regulation, and availability of personnel, on a "cost plus" basis IAW AR 40-905 and Army Veterinary Service Directives.

Chapter 3

Procedures

3-1. Appointments and location of the VTF

- a. Appointments are required for all services except bite cases (call 533-2767).
- b. Personnel with a bite case should call first if able, but can walk in Monday through Friday during operating hours.
- c. Animal clinics are held several times weekly upon availability of personnel.

3-2. Registration of animals

- a. Dogs and cats

(1) All dogs and cats maintained on this installation must be registered at MVC upon move in and at the VTF within 5 business days after assignment of on-post quarters or acquiring the animal(s). Caged birds and small mammals are exempt.

(2) The animal(s) must have current vaccinations. The vaccination must have been given by a licensed veterinarian. See Section 3-3 of this regulation for current vaccine requirements for small animals.

(a) Proof of rabies vaccination must be presented in the form of a valid, current rabies vaccination certificate.

(b) An animal health record will be established at the VTF and the rabies (and any other) vaccination or treatment information will be recorded in the health record.

(c) A rabies tag will be issued upon vaccination at the VTF; and this tag must be attached to the animal's collar and worn by the animal whenever outside of the home. This tag will not knowingly be placed upon any other animal, unless reissued to that animal.

(3) All Soldiers residing in on-post housing are required to have their pets registered with MVC and microchipped within 30 days of acquisition of quarters. If the pets are already microchipped, proof of microchipping and of updated microchip contact information must be provided to the VTF. The owner will ensure that the microchip has updated owner information on it.

b. Equines

(1) Equines maintained on the installation (to include horses, mules, ponies, donkeys) will be registered at the VTF and have a health record established.

(2) All pre-registration requirements of paragraph 3-11a must be met before admission to the installation.

(3) A quarantine period of at least 14 days is required.

c. Change of ownership

(1) In the event an animal registered at the VTF and MVC is sold or given away, the original owner will be held responsible until the animal is re-registered in the new owner's name or removed from the installation.

(2) The original owner is responsible for notifying the VS and MVC of the change of ownership within 10 days of the transaction. The new owner must supply their name and address and register the animal as outlined in this regulation.

(3) If a registered animal is sold or given away but remains on Fort Huachuca, the new owner must reregister the animal within 10 days of acquisition, including updating personal information on the microchip.

d. Death of an animal. In the event an animal registered at the VTF and MVC dies, the owner will notify the VS and MVC within 10 days.

e. Transient animals

(1) Authorized sponsors of animal shows, field trials, and other activities involving bringing animals onto the installation must notify VS 45 days prior to such event. The notification will include the number and species of animals and area of origin.

(2) The following will always be available and furnished upon request for all transient animals: Written proof of all immunizations and reportable disease testing; a certificate of health signed by a veterinarian dated within 30 days of entry onto this installation indicating the animal(s) is (are) free of any signs of communicable or infectious disease.

(3) When there is a question as to the health of a transient animal, VS must be notified. The VS will have the authority to deny entry or cause removal from the installation of any animal determined to be a threat to the health or safety of persons or other animals on this installation.

(4) Animals on the installation belonging to guests of military personnel are the responsibility of the guest's sponsor, and this sponsor will ensure the animal does not present a threat to the health or safety of other persons or animals on the installation and that the principles of this regulation are followed. If the guest's animal will be residing on this installation for a period greater than 14 days, that animal must be registered under the guest's sponsor with VS.

(5) Transient animals shall follow the banned breed requirements in Section 2-2c.

(6) Animals residing in the RV Park for a period greater than 14 days, must be registered by the sponsor at the VTF.

(7) ANY Equine coming onto post must be quarantined per Section 3-11b even if it belongs to a guest of military personnel.

(8) Owners bringing equines onto the installation temporarily for special events, e.g., rodeos, are exempt from quarantine but are required to provide any requested documentation to the VS prior to the event to obtain entry.

3-3. Vaccination of small animals.

a. Dogs. All dogs residing on post are required to have the initial and subsequent revaccinations of the following vaccinations:

(1) Rabies with revaccination every 1-3 years depending on the vaccine used and the date of last vaccination.

(2) Distemper, hepatitis, and parvovirus plus or minus leptospirosis, with revaccination every 1-3 years depending on the vaccine used and the lifestyle of the animal.

b. Cats. All cats residing on post are required to have the initial and subsequent revaccinations of the following vaccinations:

(1) Rabies, with revaccination every 1-3 years depending on the vaccine used and the date of last vaccination.

(2) Rhinotracheitis, calici, panleukopenia, and chlamydia, with revaccination every 1-3 years, depending on the vaccine used and the lifestyle of the animal.

(3) Recommended: Leukemia (after testing for the virus), revaccination every 1-2 years depending on the vaccine used and the lifestyle of the animal.

c. Other animals. Vaccinate all other small animals per current guidelines, regulations, and current standards of the Army VS.

3-4. Responsibilities of animal owners

a. Pet owners are responsible for the care, maintenance, control, and discipline of pets located on the installation or residing in privatized housing.

b. Pet owners shall comply with the provisions of this Regulation while maintaining domestic animals/pets within the confines of Fort Huachuca.

c. Care

(1) The owner will provide his or her animal(s) with:

(a) Sufficient nutritious, wholesome food to maintain adequate health and well-being of the animal. Clean, potable water must always be available. Owners are encouraged to contact VS for advisement on proper nutrition if they are unsure of their animal's nutritional needs.

(b) Proper shelter and protection from the weather. The shelter must provide protection from the sun, rain, snow, wind and cold, and from any weather conditions that may occur. It must be large enough to allow the animal to enter, stand, turn around, and lie down in a natural manner. The shelter must be of a quality and design to afford a healthy and humane environment for the animals it is intended to house. If any doubt of the adequacy of the shelter exists, the final determination will be made by VS in coordination with the MPs. Outdoor shelters such as dog houses and/or runs should be removable and moved periodically to prevent damage to the area.

(c) Seek immediate veterinary medical consultation for debilitating injuries, parasites, illnesses, and diseases.

d. Control

(1) Owners of animals on this installation are responsible for the actions of their animals and will ensure that the following control measures, at a minimum, are taken:

(a) All animals will always be under restraint, in an enclosed/fenced area from which it cannot escape or designated unrestrained area in such a manner to prevent them from becoming a nuisance or menace to other persons, animals, or property on this installation. Cats are not permitted to be unrestrained outdoors. Wireless or invisible electric fences are prohibited.

(b) Animals will not make excessively disturbing noises, including, but not limited to, continued and repeated howling, barking, whining, or other utterances causing unreasonable annoyance, disturbance, or discomfort to neighbors or others near the premises where the animal is kept or harbored.

(c) Animals will not be restrained in any way that could cause the animal to choke or get injured, or any way that restricts access to food, water, and shelter, including tie-outs or tethering in any way.

(d) Animals will not be left unattended in a vehicle or other enclosed space where the temperature is either so high or low or the ventilation is so inadequate as to cause the animal undue distress, suffering, or danger. Animals may not be left unattended in a vehicle or other enclosed space where the environment or space may pose a risk to the animal becoming injured or pose a risk to others; including but not limited to open windows on heightened vehicles or open-bed pickup trucks. Indicators of distress in animals include but are not limited to excessive panting, drooling, or vocalizing, having trouble breathing, shivering, intensively digging or scratching at the sides of the enclosure, exhibiting pacing or hiding behavior, or unresponsiveness. If an unattended animal in an enclosed space exhibits these or similar behaviors, the MPs are authorized to use whatever force is reasonable and necessary to remove any animal from a vehicle or other enclosure.

(e) The DES or ENRD are authorized to remove and impound any animal in a life-threatening situation. Owners will be responsible for any charges or other fees associated with impoundment and medical treatment.

(f) Premises, enclosures, or surroundings where an animal is kept or harbored will be maintained in a sanitary condition to prevent fouling of the air and insect problems. Waste and feces shall be removed daily.

(g) If a pet escapes or becomes lost on the installation and is located but is still loose, the pet owner will assist in re-capturing their pet if necessary.

(h) If a pet repeatedly escapes, DES or ENRD will notify MVC. Failure of the pet owner to maintain control of their animals may result in financial liability, loss of pet privileges, and/or loss of their housing assignment, requiring MVC to terminate the lease agreement and the family to seek off-post housing.

(2) The owner or sponsor of an animal shall be responsible for the removal of any excreta (body waste) deposited by his or her animal(s).

(3) The owner or sponsor of an animal kept or harbored on this installation is responsible for all damages to government or private property caused by his or her animal(s) as a result of owner negligence.

(4) Animals are required to be on leash when outside of a personal residence or vehicle on Fort Huachuca. When animals are on a leash, the leash will not exceed six feet when fully extended. The handler of the animal must be physically capable of restraining the animal.

e. Public areas and transient quarters

(1) To prevent the contamination of soil by animal feces or urine and possible transmission of parasitic diseases to humans, the following areas are always OFF LIMITS to animals: playgrounds, school yards, golf courses, athletic fields, and swimming pool enclosures except when participating in a designated and authorized event.

(2) To prevent possible injury to joggers, animals are not permitted on jogging trails, on physical training routes during organized runs, or during physical training hours (0530 - 0730 M-F).

(3) Animals are not permitted at community events where crowds will be present, except for B Troop ceremonial horses, military working dogs, service animals, or when participating in a designated and authorized event.

(4) Animals are not permitted in public buildings except those designated for their use or care. Government-owned and service animals in the performance of their duties are exempt.

(5) For service animals, an exception may be made for those areas as authorized by public law. *The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990* (40 USC 3103) allows these animals to go anywhere their owners are authorized as long as they are under control.

f. Disposition of animals

(1) The privilege of keeping an animal on this installation carries with it the responsibility to supply proper care for the animal and to effect proper disposition of the animal when the owner or sponsor departs this installation or no longer wants or can keep the animal.

(2) Proper disposition of an animal entails finding it a new home either on or off post.

(3) Personnel who have animals registered on this installation and who are departing it permanently must clear through the VTF and pick up the animal's health records.

(4) Under no circumstances will owners or sponsors abandon animals. Abandonment includes failure to claim animals that have been impounded as strays. Personnel who abandon animals are responsible for all costs until they claim their animals and are subject to administrative action and criminal charges of cruelty to animals being filed.

(5) Owners who are unable to continue care/ownership of their animals for any reason can contact the VS or ENRD for advisement on how to properly surrender ownership of their animal.

g. In the event of a disease outbreak on or near Fort Huachuca all animal owners will abide by any emergency precautions and quarantine procedures required by federal or state agencies, or any other health agencies, as well as those required by regulation or the VS.

h. Missing animals

(1) The owner or sponsor of a missing animal is responsible for contacting ENRD at (520) 678-8112.

(2) Searches for missing or stray animals will not be conducted in training, testing, or range areas until authorized by Range Control.

i. Pets that come into contact with wildlife will be reported to ENRD at (520) 678-8112 for instructions regarding medical care and/or testing for potential diseases.

3-5. Actions concerning violations

a. Impoundment and citations: The DES and ENRD have the authority to impound an animal if it is determined that it is necessary to protect the public or the animal.

b. Stray animals

(1) ENRD will:

(a) Attempt to capture reported strays. ENRD may use approved restraint techniques to apprehend strays. The use of drugs and tranquilizers will be coordinated through VS. Control methods that will result in the death of the animal will be authorized only as a last resort.

(b) Make reasonable efforts to identify and locate the owner of unclaimed live or deceased animals. If the owner of the live animal cannot be identified or the animal is

not claimed within three (3) days, they will become property of the Army. After the third day, ENRD will determine final disposition of the animal which includes either fostering or adopting the animal or turning it over to a municipal animal control facility possessing a current agreement with Fort Huachuca. If the deceased stray animal does not have any owner identification or appears to be feral, the animal will be properly disposed of.

(c) Attempt to identify the owners of captured live stray animals and deceased pets involved in investigations. ENRD or VS will scan all animals for microchips.

(d) Attempt to identify the owners of deceased pets not involved in an investigation and have a collar or other obvious evidence of ownership by scanning the animal with a microchip reader.

(2) Feeding strays or wild animals, releasing trapped animals, or tripping traps to prevent their capture, is prohibited.

(3) Animals will be impounded at the Fort Huachuca Stray Animal Facility (Building 30015). They will be impounded, transported, maintained, and housed in accordance with federal, state, local, and Army and Department of Defense regulations, policies, and directives.

(4) Animals collected as strays that are sick or so injured that medical treatment is not feasible, as determined by the veterinarian, will be humanely euthanized to prevent further suffering.

(5) Owners may be liable for all costs associated with treatment and housing of a stray.

c. Impoundment

(1) Authorities impounding the animal will take whatever precautions are needed to protect themselves, their employees, and the public.

(2) DES or ENRD will apprehend and impound any animal involved in a bite incident on Fort Huachuca when the animal's owner or sponsor is not known, cannot be located, or refuses to follow the quarantine procedures. ENRD and DES can use a tranquilizer gun or lethal force on animals if needed to protect themselves and/or the public.

(3) Fees associated with the impoundment of an animal and/or associated veterinary care will be paid at the owner's expense if the owner is found liable for the cause of impoundment.

d. Release of animals from impoundment. Owners or sponsors authorized to obtain the release of impounded animals may do so by contacting ENRD to schedule a pickup time by calling (520) 678-8112. The owner will be required to provide proof of ownership

and complete a release form acknowledging their responsibility as pet owners and penalties for repeat offenders. ENRD will notify MVC of all impounded animal cases, and pets not properly registered on the installation or microchipped will be reported to VS and MVC for action.

e. Suspension of animal keeping privileges. ENRD, VS, SJA, MVC, or the DES may recommend immediate suspension of animal keeping privileges at any time there is evidence the owner or sponsor has failed to exercise proper care of or responsibility for the animal, or if the animal is deemed unsuitable for community. In such cases, no warning letters will be sent; but the owner or sponsor will be provided an opportunity to respond prior to final revocation. When ENRD, VS, SJA, MVC, or the DES deem necessary, the animal may be impounded during the reply period. The GC will make the final decision as to suspension of animal keeping privileges or removal of animals from the installation.

3-6. Animal bite and scratch incidents

a. A bite or scratch incident is defined as an incident which results in a domestic animal or human being bitten or scratched by a wild or domestic animal.

b. The owner or sponsor of an animal, which has been identified as the animal involved in a bite incident will comply fully with the quarantine or rabies control procedures set forth in AR 40-905 and Compendium of Animals Rabies Prevention and Control, and local veterinary policy.

c. The bite or scratch incident process is as follows:

(1) Anyone involved in a bite or scratch incident should immediately seek medical attention. Tricare beneficiaries should call their Primary Care Provider and Department of Army Civilians should call APHN at (520) 255-6692.

(2) APHN will provide procedures for human bites and notify VS for domestic animal bites; if DES or ENRD are contacted, they will notify APHN and/or VS as appropriate.

(3) All animals involved in a bite incident must be quarantined until physical evaluation by a veterinarian can be conducted.

(a) Upon examination of the animal, the veterinarian will recommend appropriate further action to determine if the animal has rabies, which may include further quarantine or rabies testing.

(b) Animals for which there is no known owner will be assessed and dispositioned appropriately in keeping with AR 40-905 and the Compendium of Animal Rabies Prevention and Control.

(c) Animals that have bitten a person and subsequently die must be delivered IMMEDIATELY to the VTF to initiate laboratory examination for rabies.

(d) ENRD will advise MVC of all bite incidents involving humans.

d. Quarantine. The VS will determine whether an animal can be quarantined at home or at an animal shelter, following the Manual for Rabies Control and Animal Bite Management. Home quarantine of vaccinated animals may be permitted if the health of the bitten person and other personnel are not in jeopardy. ENRD will determine the availability of the Stray Animal Facility on the Fort for quarantines on a case-by-case basis. If the Fort's Stray Animal Facility is not available, the owner will be required to quarantine the animal at an off-post facility of their choice. Owners will be liable for all quarantine costs. The VS will take into consideration the bite severity and circumstances of the bite and will recommend quarantine at a shelter under the following circumstances:

(1) The animal was breaking any ordinances, such as being at large during the time of the bite,

(2) The animal has a history of escaping from enclosed yards,

(3) If the owner prefers it and has a good justification,

(4) If the bite victim was not a family member,

(5) If the bite victim was not a family member and the pet was not current on a rabies vaccine, and

(6) If the pet is considered vicious or a danger to life, health, and safety.

e. Animals under a rabies bite quarantine will not be allowed to cross state lines until released from quarantine.

f. Owners of quarantined animals will monitor their pets IAW veterinary guidance. Unusual behavior, sudden death, or any other illness must be immediately reported to the VS. The owner will make the pet immediately available upon VS request.

3-7. Procedures to declare an animal dangerous/vicious

a. The VS, ENRD, and DES have the authority to declare an animal dangerous/vicious. The authorities will consider:

(1) The animal's previous history of biting or causing injury (one prior bite incident is sufficient to declare an animal dangerous). Animals involved in a bite incident may be deemed aggressive until after a DES investigation or the animal's behavior is evaluated by a board-certified behavioral specialist. These animals will be immediately

quarantined in an enclosed facility or cage which will prevent contact with the general population until a behavioral evaluation is completed.

(2) The nature and extent of the injuries inflicted and the number of people and/or animals involved.

(3) Whether the animal exhibits characteristics of being trained for fighting or attack.

(4) Whether the animal exhibits characteristics of aggressive or unpredictable temperament in the presence of human beings or other animals.

(5) The way the animal has been maintained by the owner or sponsor, to include evidence concerning the maintenance of the animal and regarding the ability of the owner or sponsor and of the authorities to protect the public safety in the future if the animal is permitted to remain on the installation.

b. Actions required if animal is declared dangerous/vicious

(1) The GC may require the owner or sponsor to remove the animal from the installation. The animal must immediately be removed from the installation. The owner may have the animal euthanized at owner's expense in lieu of removing the animal.

(2) The VS can recommend euthanasia of an animal. If the owner wishes to keep the animal in possession, the animal must be removed from the installation.

c. Avenue of appeal. The owner or sponsor of an animal declared dangerous/vicious may file an appeal to the GC within 10 business days.

(1) Appeals conducted under this regulation will be informal. Neither the Military Rules of Evidence (2019) nor the provisions of AR 15-6 (Procedures for Administrative Investigations and Boards of Officers [1 April 2016]) will apply. This regulation does not create or expand any substantive or procedural rights that do not otherwise exist.

(2) Appeals pursuant to this regulation are intended only to afford an affected person the opportunity to present any matters to the GC before he or she renders a final decision.

(3) Individuals should send a letter of appeal, stating why the GC should take a different action and provide any supporting documentation. The appeal letter and supporting documentation should be mailed to the SJA within 10 business days from the date of notification of suspension or revocation of the privilege.

(4) The affected individual will be notified, in writing, of the GC's final decision as soon as practicable after it is rendered. The notice will be delivered via Garrison personnel, the affected individuals' chain of command, or certified mail.

- (5) Files related to hearings will be kept by the SJA for no less than five years.

3-8. Reporting violations

a. Procedures for reporting violations

(1) An individual may contact DES, ENRD or MVC in situations where there is evidence that the requirements of this regulation have been violated including:

- (a) repeated incidents of animals creating nuisance or which animals are a menace to the housing community, or
- (b) witnessing inhumane treatment, abuse, cruelty, neglect, aggression, or bites.

(2) The DES will investigate all complaints and have authority to direct ENRD to impound an animal while the investigation is being conducted. The animal will be housed at the Fort Huachuca Stray Animal Facility (Building 30015) or an off-post facility during this investigation. Every effort will be made to conduct this investigation in a timely manner. The owner may be charged for any fees resulting by the impoundment.

(3) If a probable cause determination is made by SJA that abuse/neglect occurred by the owner, then a letter will be provided stating that charges may be filed. When this letter is provided, the owner must elect whether they choose to request reconsideration on this determination or not. If they choose not to request reconsideration, the owner may be charged, and the animal will become property of the Army. If a request for reconsideration is elected, the owner will have three business days to submit a written request to the GC. If, based on the information provided and after coordination with SJA, it is determined there is no probable cause that abuse/neglect occurred then the request for reconsideration will be granted, and the animal may be returned to the owner. If the request is denied, then charges may be filed against the owner and the animal will become property of the Army. The GC or their delegated representative will determine final disposition of the animal.

(4) If a probable cause determination is made by SJA that abuse/neglect occurred by a third party that is not the owner, then a letter will be provided to the third party stating that charges may be filed. When this letter is provided, the third party must elect whether they choose to request reconsideration of this determination or not. If they choose not to request reconsideration, the third party may be charged and, if possible, the animal will be returned to the owner. If the owner is not available, then the animal will become Army property and the GC or their delegated representative will determine appropriate disposition of the animal. If a request for reconsideration is elected, the third party will have three business days to submit a written request to the GC. If, based on the information provided and after coordination with SJA, it is determined there is no probable cause that abuse/neglect occurred then the request will be granted, and the

animal may be returned to the third party. If the request is denied, then charges may be filed against the third party and the animal will be returned to the owner, if possible. If the owner is not available, then the animal will become Army property and the GC or their delegated representative will determine appropriate disposition of the animal.

b. Individuals who see an animal showing unusual or threatening behavior should report it immediately to the DES by dialing 911.

3-9. Disposal of dead animals

a. Owners or sponsors are responsible for proper disposal of their animals that die on the installation.

(1) If a pet dies while living on post, the owner can contact the VS regarding policies or procedures for disposal of the remains. The VS can provide a list of contacts for off-post cremation.

(2) The pet owner is responsible for all cost associated with disposal of the remains.

(3) It is prohibited to bury deceased pets on Fort Huachuca.

b. Domestic animals that were involved in an incident regarding bites or unusual/aggressive behavior and/or contact with wildlife and then subsequently die will be immediately recovered by ENRD for storage and reported to the VS, who will submit samples for rabies testing.

c. Army-owned animals may be buried on Fort Huachuca in areas specifically designated for that purpose (Appendix B). B Troop horses may be buried at designated areas at Buffalo Corral (Appendix B.1) and working dogs at the designated area adjacent to the working dog facility (Building 30014) (Appendix B.2).

3-10. Abuse, Cruelty, and Neglect

a. All suspected cases of animal abuse, cruelty, and neglect should be reported to the DES.

b. Owners in possession of pets that are suspected of having been abused, neglected, subjected to cruelty, or neglected may be directed by DES or VS to transport pets to the VTF for professional evaluation at the owner's expense. If owners refuse to transport a pet for evaluation and the DES has probable cause to believe the animal is a victim of abuse, cruelty, or neglect, the DES can remove the animal and take it for a veterinary evaluation.

c. Pets suspected of being involved in abuse, cruelty, or neglect will be professionally evaluated by the VS. If abuse, cruelty, or neglect is substantiated, the pet

may be removed from the owner and housed in the Stray Animal Facility until the case is reviewed by SJA. If neglect appears unintentional, the owners will be educated and may be given a warning; subsequent incidents may lead to adverse actions. Owners may be liable for all costs associated with housing and treatment of abused animals, and may be subject to Housing citations, discipline under the UCMJ, state statute, and/or adverse administrative action.

d. Owners convicted of pet abuse, cruelty, or neglect will be restricted from owning or possessing pets while on the installation.

3-11. Requirements for Equine Animals

a. Prior to entrance to Fort Huachuca and being stabled here, all equines must:

(1) Have been vaccinated against Eastern and Western Equine Encephalomyelitis; tetanus; equine influenza; equine rhinopneumonitis (Equine Herpesvirus types 1 and 4); and rabies. Other vaccinations may be required depending upon the incidence of disease in the area. The animal must have received the initial series or annual re-vaccination against the above diseases within the past 12 months. Required vaccinations may be administered during initial quarantine (at owner's expense).

(2) Have a negative Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) (Coggins Test) within 12 months of entry onto the installation or during initial quarantine (at owner's expense). Proof of the negative test for EIA must be on the current edition of the U.S. Department of Agriculture EIA Laboratory Report (Veterinary Service Form 10-11).

(3) Have been dewormed with a praziquantel-containing equine de-wormer within the last 3 months or during initial quarantine (at the owner's expense).

(4) Be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection documenting compliance with all current Arizona State Veterinarian's Office requirements for equines entering the state, if the animal is transported from outside of Arizona.

(5) All health records (including written proof of required vaccinations, required deworming, negative EIA test and certificate of veterinary inspection, if applicable) will be presented to the VTF at or prior to the time the animal enters initial quarantine. Written documentation submitted must be signed by a licensed veterinarian to be considered acceptable.

b. Initial quarantine procedures

(1) Owners will comply with all current VTF and Buffalo Corral procedures for equine entry into, maintenance during, and exit from the initial quarantine.

(2) All equines to be stabled on Fort Huachuca will be presented for examination by a licensed veterinarian before entering quarantine. If this is not possible, then the animal will be examined on the first business day after entering quarantine.

(3) Appointments are necessary for the initial quarantine exam. The VS or a civilian veterinarian may be utilized for this examination; however, the VS must be notified of all incoming equines.

(4) Quarantine will occur on Fort Huachuca and quarantine period will be a minimum of 14 days. Quarantine location shall be coordinated with the Buffalo Corral manager and is generally either at the VTF corrals or Wren Arena.

(5) Animals that are apparently sick may be denied entry into quarantine or the quarantine period extended, at the discretion of the veterinarian performing the initial entry exam, based on history and clinical signs.

(6) Animals in quarantine will not leave the immediate vicinity of the quarantine stalls.

(7) Animals in quarantine will not be allowed contact with other animals from Buffalo Corral or any other equines.

(8) Owners will report any evidence of illness or unusual behavior in a quarantined animal immediately.

(9) Quarantine stalls must be cleaned (feces picked up and water trough emptied/scrubbed) daily and at the end of the quarantine period. Horses in quarantine must be fed and provided clean, fresh water daily by the owner.

(10) An exit quarantine examination is required. This examination may be performed by the VS or a civilian veterinarian and will be performed in accordance with current VS procedures.

c. Maintenance on Fort Huachuca

(1) All equines stabled on the installation will:

(a) Be revaccinated every 12 months (at a minimum; more frequent vaccination may be formed based on recommendation of a veterinarian) against Eastern and Western Equine Encephalomyelitis; tetanus; equine influenza; equine rhinopneumonitis (Equine Herpesvirus types 1 and 4); and rabies. Other vaccinations may be required depending upon the incidence of disease in the area.

(b) Be tested for EIA at least every 12 months.

(c) Be dewormed in accordance with current VS policies.

(2) The owner or lessee may use the services of a civilian veterinarian. Written proof of vaccinations, deworming, and EIA testing will be provided to the Buffalo Corral Riding Stables management, and available to the VS within five business days of completion.

(3) No live vaccine will be given to any equine animal kept on this installation without first obtaining permission from the VS.

(4) All equine animals kept on the installation shall be subject to examination and testing for any infectious or communicable disease(s) as deemed necessary to protect the health of the Government-owned equine animals.

d. Re-quarantine

(1) At the discretion of the VS, equines removed from Fort Huachuca may be required to undergo quarantine upon reentry. The need for quarantine will be determined by type of activity, the length of time the equine is gone, incidence of disease in the area, and other considerations.

(2) Any equine gone from the installation for 30 days or longer will be quarantined for a minimum of 14 days upon return to the installation.

e. Safeguards: In the interest of protecting Government-owned equines, VS must be advised of any infectious and/or communicable disease(s) occurring in any privately owned equines stabled on the installation.

3-12. Service Animals

a. In accordance with 28 CFR Section 36.104 (Definitions, in Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities), service animal means any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals. The work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the individual's disability.

b. All service animals will be clearly marked and easily identifiable as service animals while outside of a home.

c. Determining qualifications as a Service Animal (U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Section, "Frequently Asked Questions about Service Animals and the ADA [Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990]"). The following questions may be asked to determine service animal qualifications:

(1) Is the animal a service animal required because of a disability?

(2) What work or task has the animal been trained to perform?

d. The installation access restrictions in Section 2-2c do not apply to service animals. Department of Justice guidelines (U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Sections, "Frequently Asked Questions about Service Animals and the ADA") implementing the service dog provisions of the ADA expressly prohibits exclusion of a service dog "based on assumptions of stereotypes about the animal's breed or how that animal might behave." However, if a particular service animal behaves in a way as described in Section 3-7, the GC may bar the animal from the installation.

e. Guide dogs or other service animals accompanying individuals with disabilities and specially trained and educated for that purpose shall be admitted to any building or other property owned and controlled by Fort Huachuca using the same terms and conditions and subject to the same rules and regulations generally governing the admission of the public.

f. Service animals will not be permitted to roam freely in any building on Fort Huachuca and must be in a guiding harness or a leash unless the handler is unable to use such a tether because of the disability. All service animals must always be under complete control of the handler while in a building.

g. Service animals in training are undergoing a period training designed to lead to their ultimate designation and employment as service animals. Per Army Directive (AD) 2013-01 (Guidance on the Acquisition and Use of Service Dogs by Soldiers, at the discretion of the GC, access to Fort Huachuca may be granted providing that the training is occurring under the auspices of a source accredited by a Veterans Administration-recognized organization or a medically supervised training program.

h. Service animals that are of breeds on the prohibited breed list (per Section 2-2c) are authorized to enter the installation and are authorized to receive veterinary care from the VS.

i. Under the ADA (Public Law 101-336), an exemption may be made to allow service animals into areas normally prohibited to animals such as golf courses, swimming pools, and other designated off-limits areas.

j. Fort Huachuca reserves the right to prescribe regulations and controls necessary to protect the public's interest. Any service or companion animal demonstrating any signs of aggressive behavior may be removed from the installation and barred from further access.

3-13. Emotional Support/Companion Animals

a. Emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animals do not qualify as service animals under the ADA because they have not been trained to perform a

specific task (U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Sections, "Frequently Asked Questions about Service Animals and the ADA").

b. Fort Huachuca does not recognize emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animals as service animals, and as such they are not granted the same access as service animals.

c. Fort Huachuca reserves the right to deny access to emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animals that are determined to be threats to the public interest. Under the Fair Housing Act of 1988 (42 USC 3601 Section 804 [42 USC 3604(f)(3)(B) Discrimination in the Sale or Rental of Housing and Other Prohibited Practices]), accommodations can be requested to allow access for emotional support animals, but the determination of whether a requested accommodation is reasonable and appropriate is within the discretion of Fort Huachuca authorities.

3-14. Violations

a. Failure to comply with provisions of this regulation may result in discipline under the UCMJ, warning letters, Housing citations, loss of pet privileges, nonjudicial punishment, monetary fines, loss of housing assignment on post, and/or adverse administration action. Department of Army employees and all other Civilians may lose pet privileges or be prohibited reentry on Fort Huachuca and be prosecuted and/or disciplined under applicable statutes or regulations.

b. The Assimilative Crimes Act (18 USC 13) makes state laws applicable to conduct occurring on lands reserved or acquired by the Federal Government. As such, Arizona criminal statutes related to animal control may be enforced on Fort Huachuca, the violation of which could result in federal prosecution.

3-15. Clearing the Installation

a. All military personnel who maintain cats, dogs, and/or equines on the installation are required to clear VS prior to final clearance of Fort Huachuca. Health certificates may be required based on the animal's destination; contact the VS for the latest guidance and requirements.

Appendix A References

Section I Required Publications

AD 2013-01

Guidance on the Acquisition and Use of Service Dogs by Soldiers, Secretary of the Army Memorandum, 28 January 2013

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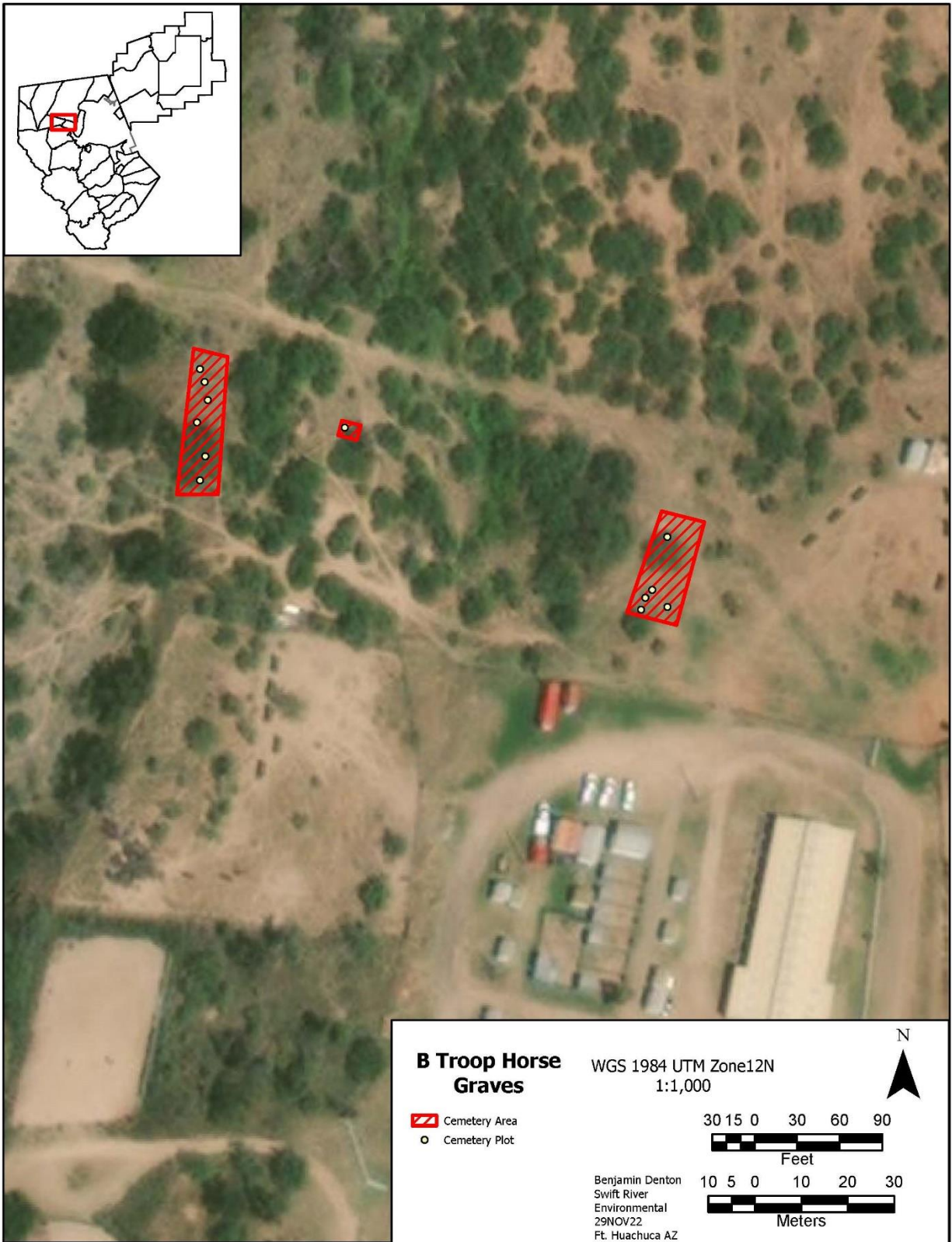
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Appendix B
Approved Army-owned animal burial areas

- B.1. Approved burial areas for Army-owned horses at Buffalo Corral**
- B.2. Approved burial areas for Army-owned working dogs at Building 30014**



B.1. Approved burial areas for Army-owned equines at Buffalo Corral.



B.2. Army working dog approved burial area at Building 30014.

Glossary

Section I Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
APHN	Army Public Health Nurse
AR	Army Regulation
DA	Department of the Army
DES	Directorate of Emergency Services
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
DPH	Department of Public Health
DPW	Directorate of Public Works
EIA	Equine Infectious Anemia
ENRD	Environmental and Natural Resources Division
GC	Garrison Commander
IAW	In Accordance With
MP	Military Police
MVC	Mountain Vista Communities
NAFI	Non-appropriated Fund Instrumentality
POA	Privately Owned Animal of personnel holding a military ID
SJA	Staff Judge Advocate
USC	U.S. Code
USMJ	U.S. Military Justice
VS	Veterinary Services
VTF	Veterinary Treatment Facility

Section II Terms

Banned Breed

Certain dog breeds identified in *Army Policy—Domestic Animals on Army Installations* which are not allowed to be housed on Army installations, except for service animals.

Buffalo Corral

Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation-managed stables for Army and privately-owned equines. B Troop operates their stables here.

Care and Control Panel

Panel of four voting members responsible handling banned breed determinations. Consists of representations from the Housing Office, VS, ENRD and the Commander's Executive Officer, or four unbiased personnel designated by the GC.

Emotional Support/Companion Animals

Emotional Support Animals, also called comfort animals, are companion animals that helps mitigate symptoms of mental or emotional disabilities. They are not considered

service animals under the ADA because they do not have special training to perform tasks that assist people with disabilities.

Equine

Any horse, pony, mule or donkey.

Exotic Animal

Any wild, native or non-native animal which is relatively rare and unusual to keep as a pet or is generally thought of as a wild species rather than a domesticated pet.

Fort Huachuca Veterinary Services (VS)

An integral part of the Army Medical Department. At Fort Huachuca, it is composed of the installation veterinarian, warrant officers, enlisted personnel, and civilian personnel assigned to accomplish the mission.

Government-owned Animal

An animal that is owned, maintained, or managed by a military or Federal agency or activity including military working dogs, equines, and unit mascots. Stray animals are Government-owned animals if owners are not located within three days of capture and until final disposition is made; that is until euthanized, adopted, or released to civilian authorities. NAFI-owned animals are considered Government-owned animals except that reimbursement is required for expendable medical items and supplies according to AR 40-905.

Impoundment

Taking a domestic animal into custody by the MPs or ENRD and housing at the Fort Huachuca Stray Animal Facility (Building 30015).

Livestock

Domesticated animals, except for equines, normally raised in an agricultural setting to provide labor and produce diversified products for consumption.

Privately-owned Animal (POA)

A domestic animal owned and maintained by personnel who are military ID card holders.

Quarantine

Separating and isolating a domestic animal for a specified period to prevent the spread of disease or pests and determine if the animal is sick. Imposed for certain bite cases and for equines coming onto the fort.

Rabies Advisory Board

Quarterly meeting hosted by Preventative Medicine/Fort Huachuca Department of Public Health to discuss human/domestic animal bite cases, infectious diseases, and other related topics with those organizations involved in these processes.

Service Animal

In accordance with 28 CFR 36.104, any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, or other mental disability.

Stray Animal

A domestic animal that is running loose and ownership cannot be established.

Stray Animal Facility

ENRD-managed kennel (Building 30015) to house strays, animals impounded by DES involved in law enforcement investigations, and some quarantine cases.

Vector Species

A living organism that transmits an infectious agent from an infected animal to a human or another animal.

Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF)

A facility utilized for an animal disease prevention and control program by the U.S. Army Veterinary Service (Building 30009). The VTF serves as the operation base for the veterinary community health mission, rabies control program, health care support of animals, administration support of programs, and associated functions.

Wren Arena

Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation-managed riding arena on Canelo Road. Used for equine events, B Troop training, and rodeos.