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Animal Control
CONTROL OF AND CARE FOR PRIVATELY OWNED ANIMALS

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History. This is an administrative change to Fort Leonard Wood (FLW) Regulation 190-4. The portions affected by this revision are listed in the summary of change.

Summary. This regulation prescribes policies and procedures for required and authorized veterinary health services for privately owned animals, and measures to protect the health and safety of personnel and animals at Fort Leonard Wood (FLW), Missouri.

Applicability. This Policy applies to all Soldiers, Civilians, Family Members, Contractors, and other personnel who work on, reside on, or visit FLW.

Proponent and execution authority. The proponent agency of this regulation is the Directorate of Emergency Services (DES)FLW.

Supplementation. Supplementation of this regulation is prohibited without prior approval by Headquarters, United States Army Maneuver Support Center of Excellence (MSCoE).

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Summary of Changes

To: FLW Reg 190-4, Control of and Care for Privately Owned Animals

FLW Reg 190-4 has undergone revisions. The revised regulation includes:

- Formatting revisions
- Grammar revisions and corrections
- Added Veterinary Standards and Guidelines
- Added details to 1-7 Control of stray animals on FLW to stray animal facility adding procedures
- Updated 1-8 Stabling of horses requirements adding current procedures
- Updated Appendix A. Small animal vaccination and Preventive Medicine with current guidelines
- Updated Appendix B. Equine Vaccination and Preventive Medicine with current guidelines
- Updated Acroymns section with abbreviations EHV, VEE, VS.

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INTRODUCTION

1-1. Purpose.

This regulation establishes measures necessary to protect the health, safety and harmonious coexistence of personnel and animals on this installation and establishes required veterinary health services for privately owned animals.

1-2. References and forms.

- a. Army Regulation 40-905 (V 40-905, Veterinary Health Services, 29 August 2006, Veterinary Health Services).
- b. DoDI 4150.07, (DoD Pest Management Program), 29 May 2008.
- c. Uniform Code of Military Justice.
- d. State of Missouri Health Regulations. Cited in paragraph Sf.
- e. Title 40, United States Code (USC), Section 291 (Admission of Guide Dogs accompanied by Blind Masters).
- f. Missouri Revised Statutes, Title XXXV111 (MORS) Chapter 273.400-273.405 (Dogs and Cats) as amended.
- g. MORS Chapter 578.005-578.050 (Miscellaneous Offenses) as amended.
- h. United States Army Veterinary Medical Standardization Board Vaccination Guidelines, 28 April 2021

1-3. Applicability.

This regulation applies to all Soldiers, Civilians, Family members, Contractors, and other personnel who work on, reside on, or visit FLW.

1-4. General.

This policy provides the governing policy and procedures for the necessary possession and control of animals to reduce and eliminate the negative impacts of stray animals on FLW, MO.

1-5. Requirements and prohibitions.

a. General

(1) All dogs, cats and other authorized pets residing, kept on, or visiting FLW for more than a total of 14 days must be registered with the FLW Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF) within ten working days of arrival.

(2) If utilizing the dog park, the pet owner will adhere to the rules of the dog park. The following breeds (including mixed breeds) are not allowed to utilize the FLW Dog Park: Pit Bull (American Staffordshire bull terriers or English Staffordshire bull terriers), Akita, Chow, Doberman, Rottweiler, and wolf hybrids. If the breed of a dog comes into question, the determination of a dog's breed is at the discretion of the Garrison Commander (GC) or his representative (s), to include Chief of Housing Division, Veterinary Commander and personnel acting in the capacity of animal control officer.

(3) Vicious or Menacing Behavior.

(a) Pets exhibiting vicious or menacing behavior are prohibited.

(b) Under no circumstances is it authorized for an owner to willfully permit or cause an animal to attack another person or animal, with the exception of sporting dogs hunting specific legal game animals in a lawful manner.

(c) The use of "Danger" or "Warning" signs concerning a pet may be used by the owner of said pet, but such signs do not release the owner from liability should the pet cause injury to a person or another animal.

(d) A single substantiated case of aggression by any animal resulting in an animal bite, scratch, or other injury to an individual may be grounds for removal of that animal from the installation. If deemed necessary, the DES Director makes a recommendation to the GC to have the offending animal removed from the Installation.

(4) Owners must ensure that their pets are unable to escape from a fenced area or housing unit.

(5) Owners must be completely in control of their pets at all times while on FLW. While in public areas, all pets must be leashed and able to be immediately restrained within 6' feet or contained within a pet carrier or cage. Pets will not be unleashed or allowed to roam freely anytime outside of a fenced area day or night.

(6) Electronic control devices will not be used as the only means of control.

(7) Pets will not be tethered outside the quarters unless the pet is supervised at all times.

(8) Owners will ensure that pets defecate in the owner's yard or when they defecate elsewhere, owners or caretakers must completely pick-up, tightly bag, and place feces in a garbage container daily at their residence or in a public waste bin. This waste should not be disposed of in a neighbor's waste container.

(9) Nuisance animals are prohibited - An animal is considered a nuisance when:

(a) Emits excessive noises at any time of day or night that disturbs the peace and quiet.

(b) Chases bicycles, motor vehicles, and pedestrians.

(c) Destroys property, either private or government.

(d) Is repeatedly found stray.

(e) Creates an unsightly and/or unsanitary living space.

(f) Threatens the harmony, safety, and health within the military community as determined by the protocol set herein.

(10) Pets may not be left in un-air conditioned or unventilated vehicles unattended for more than 5 minutes to prevent overheating and related injuries.

b. Privatized Family Housing – The following restates the policy established by Leonard Wood Family Communities LLC (LWFC) for residents of privatized housing on FLW.

(1) Residents of privatized family housing must provide proof of registration, microchipping, immunization, and breed verification to their servicing LWFC Community Center.

(2) Residents can have no more than two walking pets (dogs, cats) per household. The LWFC Community Manager will consider exceptions for incoming residents on a case- by- case basis. Exceptions for current residents wishing to add a third walking pet will not be considered.

(3) Pets residing in privatized family housing must have received all required immunizations: See Appendix A

(4) Pets residing in privatized family housing must wear pet collars with current identification and rabies tags.

(5) Use of an invisible fence is authorized if used with a standard authorized fence. Electric fences are prohibited.

(6) Microchipped pets must be registered with a current address and contact information in the database of the microchip company.

(7) Residents of privatized family housing may not own or board in privatized housing any dog of a breed that is deemed "aggressive or potentially aggressive" unless the dog is an adopted retired military working dog. The following dog breeds are not permitted (including mix breeds): Pit Bull (American Staffordshire bull terriers or English Staffordshire bull terriers), Akita, Chow, Doberman, Rottweiler, and wolf hybrids. If the breed of a dog comes into question, the determination of a dog's breed is at the discretion of LWFC.

(8) Residents of privatized family housing may not own or board in privatized housing any livestock or exotic animals such as, but not limited to reptiles, rodents, ferrets, hedgehogs, skunks, rats, raccoons, squirrels, potbellied pigs, monkeys, arachnids, or any farm animal. The

only approved exotic animals are hamsters and guinea pigs. LWFC for any questions regarding their pet policy at 1-573-329-0122.

(9) Residents will avoid leaving pet food outside for prolonged periods of time due to the potential of attracting vermin and pests.

c. Unaccompanied Personnel Housing (Barracks) – Pets are not allowed at any time in Unaccompanied Personnel Housing/Barracks.

d. Privatized Lodging - Pets are allowed to reside in InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) Army Hotels with the exception of Warrior Lodge. Contact IHG Army Hotels for any questions regarding their pet policy at 1-573-586-4800.

1-6. Penalties.

a. Failure to comply with pet ownership requirements will, in addition to other administrative or punitive actions, require owners, caretakers, feeders, or other individuals to be held responsible for all costs incurred by other parties as a result of care and maintenance provided for an animal, or due to animal related damages; and may also result in removal of pets and loss of the privilege to have pets on FLW. The FLW GC retains authority to require the removal of any animal from FLW.

b. Appeals of adverse decisions are made within five business days in writing through command channels to the GC.

1-7. Control of stray animals on FLW.

a. Individuals will not abandon animals on FLW. Runaway or lost pets must be reported missing to the Provost Marshal Office (PMO) within 24 hours after an owner determines that the pet is missing. An animal that is not reported missing after 24 hours will be considered abandoned.

b. Providing food, water, or shelter to stray, feral, or wild animals, is prohibited.

c. Individuals will not tamper with, damage, or otherwise destroy exclusion measures designed to keep cats and other pests from entering buildings and structures.

d. Breeding or allowing the breeding of stray or feral animals is prohibited.

e. Capture and trapping of wild or aggressive stray animals will be carried out by designated Law Enforcement Officer (LEO)/Conservation Law Enforcement Officer (CLEO) assigned to the PMO.

f. Individuals will not tamper with, damage, or otherwise destroy any traps set out for stray, feral, or wild animal control, or release captured uncontrolled cats or dogs and wild animals from the traps.

g. The FLW Contracted Stray Facility is located at 2396 Minnesota Avenue.

h. Any person finding a stray or escaped dog or cat on FLW can turn-in the animal at the Contracted Stray Facility after contacting Waynesville Animal Shelter at 573-774-6509 Monday through Saturday from 0900-1700 hours. Outside of business hours call the FLW PMO non-emergency number at 573-596-6141.

i. Owner must provide proof of ownership in the form of veterinary records or microchip registration to claim an animal from the Contracted Stray Facility.

j. If an animal cannot be identified or claimed after 5 days, the Contracted Stray Facility will consider the animal for adoption or euthanasia.

k. The Contracted Stray Facility may accept the surrender of pets by their owners subject to the availability of space in the shelter. The final decision to accept an owner surrender rests with the Contractor. The Contractor may assess a fee of \$75.00 to defray care expenses for an owner-surrendered pet.

1-8. Stabling of horses

a. If coming from out of state, an official interstate health certificate issued by an accredited veterinarian within the previous thirty days must accompany all equines entering the military installation. This health certificate must show a Coggins test (ELISA or Agar) and vaccines as described in Appendix B. Prior to entering installation for quarantine, all vaccines are, and Coggins test are current within 12 months.

b. Owner will obtain approval from Veterinary Services (VS) and Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (DFMWR) Outdoor Adventure Center (OAC) prior to equine entering installation. VS will review equine medical records for compliance with 1-8 a. requirements and register equine in VTF electronic medical record system prior to scheduling quarantine entry physical exam. All equines stabled at the OAC will be quarantined in the isolation area for a minimum of ten days, after which the Installation Veterinarian will perform a physical exam to release the equine. Entry and release examinations are performed at owner expense.

c. Horses authorized to be kept in the stable area must be properly stabled, groomed, watered, fed, and exercised. Immunizations, de-worming, and Coggins testing are in accordance with Appendix B. Horses are ridden only on authorized bridle paths established by DFMWR OAC, or in the stable area. Training areas, picnic and recreation areas, and the cantonment area are off limits to horses. The Installation Veterinarian makes routine inspections of the stable area and reports deficiencies to the individual concerned, the stable manager, and the DFMWR. Repeat deficiencies cause termination of stabling privileges. Either the Installation Veterinarian or the stable manager may recommend revocation of stabling privileges.

1-9. Transient animals.

a. Authorized sponsors of pet shows, field trials, horse shows, and other activities involving the bringing of transient animals onto the installation, will notify the DFMWR 30 days prior to such events of the estimated number and types of animals to be brought on to the installation. All transient animals will be accompanied with written certificate of all immunizations as well as a certificate of health, signed by an accredited veterinarian not more than 30 days prior to entry.

b. Pets of guests of military personnel on the installation are the responsibility of the sponsor of the guest, and the sponsor will ensure that the animals do not present a threat to the safety of persons or other animals on the installation.

c. All hunting dogs brought onto the FLW installation must wear a current rabies tag and an owner's identification tag in order to contact the owner in the event that the animal is picked up as a stray.

d. The Installation Veterinarian has the authority to deny entry to or have removed from the installation any animal that appears to be in questionable health or is determined to be a threat to the health or safety of persons or other animals on the installation.

e. Prior written approval of the GC is required to bring exotic, wild, or farm species onto the installation for official purposes (i.e. petting zoos).

1-10. Disposal of dead animals.

a. Burial of privately owned animals is not authorized on FLW. Cremation services are available at the owner's expense for cats and dogs through a private contractor coordinated through VTF.

b. Dead animals (unidentified pets and/or wild) found on the roads and grounds of FLW are a health and sanitation hazard to be avoided by the general public. Directorate of Public Works (DPW) is responsible for removal of dead animals from streets, sidewalks, parking areas, and other open areas of the post when their presence causes a nuisance, traffic obstacle, or health hazard. Report dead animals to DPW 573-596-0333.

1-11. Responsibilities.

a. Implementation. This policy is shared with the DES and DPW.

b. Reporting. All reports of stray animals will be reported to FLW PMO non-emergency number 573-596-6141

APPENDIX A SMALL ANIMAL VACCINATION AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

A-1. All dogs and cats are immunized for rabies with a Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approved vaccine by a licensed veterinarian no earlier than 3 months of age. Immunity duration is one or three years as documented by the administering veterinarian on the rabies certificate.

A-2. All cats must be immunized for feline distemper, rhinotracheitis and calicivirus with an FDA approved vaccine by a licensed veterinarian. Kittens will be vaccinated at 8 weeks, 12 weeks, and 16 weeks of age. All adult cats without proof of prior vaccination will be administered a two dose initial series. Immunity duration is one year for initial series and three years for subsequent vaccinations.

A-3. All dogs are immunized for canine distemper, hepatitis, parainfluenza, and canine parvovirus with an FDA approved vaccine by a licensed veterinarian. Puppies will be vaccinated at 8 weeks, 12 weeks, and 16 weeks of age. All adult dogs without proof of prior vaccination will complete initial vaccination series at administering veterinarian discretion. Immunity duration is one year for initial series and three years for subsequent vaccinations.

A-4. All dogs are immunized annually for leptospirosis with an FDA approved vaccine by a licensed veterinarian. All non-immunized dogs will be administered a two dose initial series. Immunity duration for initial series and subsequent vaccinations is one year.

A-5. All dogs older than 6 months are tested for heartworm infection annually. Heartworm positive dogs are treated at the owner's expense or removed from the installation. Follow-up testing of treated animals is performed at the discretion of the installation veterinarian. All dogs residing on post should receive heartworm prevention year-round.

A-6. All dogs and cats residing on FLW are tested annually for intestinal parasites. Positive animals are treated at the owner's expense or removed from the installation. Animals under 6 months of age are routinely de-wormed regardless of test results. Follow-up treatments and testing is at the discretion of the installation veterinarian.

A-7. All dogs and cats are microchipped for identification purposes by 16 weeks of age.

A-8. All dogs and cats residing on post should receive flea and tick preventative year-round.

A-9. All vaccination schedules and other required preventive medicine measures are subject to change or modification as deemed necessary by the installation veterinarian to protect the military community and animal population.

APPENDIX B EQUINE VACCINATION AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

B-1. All equines must be vaccinated annually with an FDA approved vaccine by a licensed veterinarian for the following:

- a. Rabies.
- b. Eastern, Western and Venezuelan equine encephalitis (EEE, WEE, VEE).
- c. Tetanus toxoid.
- d. West Nile Virus (WNV).
- e. Equine influenza.
- f. Rhinopneumonitis/Equine herpesvirus (EHV).

B-2. All juvenile equines must be vaccinated with an FDA approved vaccine by a licensed veterinarian for the following (starting at 4 months of age, boosted according to vaccine manufacturer guidelines):

- a. Rabies.
- b. EEE/WEE.
- c. Tetanus toxoid.
- d. WNV.
- e. Equine influenza.
- f. Rhinoneumonitis/EHV.
- g. Strangles (I)

B-3. All equines will be Coggins tested annually for Equine Infectious Anemia and must be found negative to be stabled at this installation. Suckling foals accompanied by their dams do not require testing. Positive test reports will be immediately telephoned to the State Veterinarian/Director of Animal Health Programs, Missouri Department of Agriculture. Final disposition of the reactor animal will be in accordance with state regulations and recommendations of the Missouri State Veterinarian.

B-4. No stallions (male equine one year or older that has not been gelded) are stabled on this installation.

B-5. Owners will deworm equines at least semi-annually, or as directed by a licensed veterinarian. Equine owners may bring dewormer purchase receipts and the empty container to the VTF for annotation into the equine's animal health records. A statement signed by a private veterinarian regarding dosage, type of wormer, and date of administration is likewise acceptable. The installation veterinarian may direct fecal testing to assess parasite load at owner's expense.

B-6. All vaccination schedules and other required preventive medicine measures are subject to change or modification as deemed necessary by the installation veterinarian to protect the military community and animal population.

GLOSSARY

Section I. Acronyms.

CLEO

Conservation Law Enforcement Officer

DES

Directorate of Emergency Services

DFMWR

Director of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation

DPW

Director of Public Works Directorate of Public Works

EEE

Eastern Equine Encephalitis

EHV

Equine Herpesvirus

FDA

Food and Drug Administration

FLW

Fort Leonard Wood

IHG

InterContinental Hotels Group

LEO

Law Enforcement Officer

LWFC

Leonard Wood Family Communities LLC

MSCOE

Maneuver Support Center of Excellence

OAC

Outdoor Adventure Center

PMO

Provost Martial Office

MORS

Missouri Revised Statutes

USC

United States Code

VEE

Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis

VS

Veterinary Services

VTF

Veterinary Treatment Facility

WEE

Western Equine Encephalitis

Section II. Terms.

1. Adequate Care as defined in MORS Chap 578.005 as amended. Normal and prudent attention to the needs of an animal including wholesome food, clean water, shelter, and health care as necessary to maintain good health in a specific species of animal.

2. Adequate Control as defined in MORS Chap 578.005 as amended. To reasonably restrain or govern an animal so that the animal does not injure itself, other animals, persons, or property. Animal Abandonment as defined in MORS Chap 578.9 as amended. A person is guilty of animal abandonment when that person has knowingly abandoned an animal in any place without making provisions for its adequate care and control.

3. Animal Abuse as defined in MORS Chap 578.012 as amended. A person is guilty of animal abuse when a person:

(a) Intentionally or purposely causes injury or suffering to an animal.

(b) Having ownership or custody of an animal knowingly fails to provide adequate care or adequate control.

(c) Intentionally or purposely kills an animal in a manner not allowed by or expressly exempted from the provisions of MORS Sections 578.005 to 578.023 and 273.030 as amended.

4. Animal Neglect as defined in MORS Chap 578.009 as amended. A person is guilty of animal neglect when a person has custody or ownership or both of an animal and fails to provide adequate care or adequate control which results in substantial harm to the animal.

5. Equine. Any horse or similar animal (i.e. horse, pony, ass, or mule).
6. Pet. An animal kept for amusement or companionship.
7. Stable area. An area authorized by the Installation Commander where horses or other equine may be domiciled on post.
8. Stray Animal Facility: Contracted Stray Facility at 2396 Minnesota Avenue.
9. Veterinary Treatment Facility. The section of Veterinary Services located in Building 2399 on Minnesota Avenue.
10. Vicious or Menacing Behavior. An animal that commits an unprovoked attack upon a person or another animal, threatens or terrorizes a person or animal or otherwise endangers the wellbeing of the community.