

PET POLICY

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF JACKSON
Tanglewood Villa Whispering Way
Ripley WV 25271

This policy is designed to protect the Lessee (hereinafter-called resident), the pet, and neighbors. The policies have been formulated from regulations found in 24 CFR 960 – Pet Ownership in Public Housing. The resident will be required to sign this Pet Rider which will begin and runs concurrently with the term of the Lease and constitutes an Addendum to the Lease.

This subpart G of the regulations does not apply to animals that assist, support, or provide service to persons with disabilities. Any rules and policies established under this subpart will not be enforced against animals that are necessary as a reasonable accommodations to assist, support or provide service to persons with disabilities.

PET OWNERSHIP

A. PETS ALLOWED (Limits apply)

1. Fish
2. Caged Bird
3. Caged Hamster
4. Caged Guinea Pig
5. Cat
6. Dog

Resident may have no more than two #1- #4 and one Dog or Cat, not both.

B. RULES FOR EACH PET CATEGORY

1. FISH

- Keep bowls/aquariums clean to eliminate offensive odors
- Unlimited

2. BIRD, HAMSTER, GUINEA PIG

- Keep cages clean to eliminate offensive odors
- Keep pets contained in cages
- Limit (2)

3. CAT

- Resident must show proof of vaccinations for distemper and feline diseases (FLRCP) and provide copies of required update of vaccinations as they occur.
- Cat must be trained to use litter box

- Resident must dispose of litter in plastic bag, tied and placed in proper garbage containers.
- Resident must keep litter box clean, in order to protect pet and eliminate offensive odors.
- Cat must have either a flea collar or be dusted regularly with flea power. Never dust your pet in the house. It should remain outside 15 to 20 minutes after dusting.
- Do not let the cat be a nuisance to your neighbors.
- If of age, the cat must be neutered or spayed (Exception **may** be made for an elderly cat.)
- Identify your cat to the Housing Authority and provide a picture or allow the Housing Authority to take a picture for the file
- When outside must be on leash and controlled by a responsible adult.
- Limit (1) per household

4. DOG

- Resident must show proof of vaccination for rabies and distemper (DHLPP) and provide copies of required update of vaccinations as they occur.
- Dog feces must be picked up by resident and disposed of in a plastic bag that is tied and placed in proper garbage containers.
- Resident will not allow dog to urinate on shrubs.
- Dog must be spayed or neutered. (Exception may be made for an elderly dog.
- Dog must not be outside unless it is accompanied by owner (adult resident) and on a leash.
- Dog may be tied outside unaccompanied for not more than fifteen (15) minutes in any weather condition.
- Dog must wear a flea collar or be dusted regularly with flea or tick powder. Never dust your pet in the house. It should remain outside 15 to 20 minutes after dusting.
- Dog must have license
- Identify your pet to the Housing Authority and provide a picture or allow the Housing Authority to take a picture for the file.
- The dog must be obedient. Do not allow pet to be a nuisance to the neighbors.
- Vicious or intimidating dogs will not be permitted. This includes but not limited to Rotweilers, Doberman Pinchers, Pit bulls, German Shepherds (exception seeing eye dogs).
- The dog must be 30lbs or under.
- Limit (1) dog per household

C. GENERAL RULES

1. A refundable Pet Deposit of \$300.00 is required at move in of pet that is a dog or cat. Any damages caused by pet will be charged to the resident.
2. The resident must apply for a permit with the Housing Authority providing all the necessary documentation (vaccinations, license, etc.). The resident will be notified of approval.
3. The resident will re-register the pet with the Housing Authority at their annual re-examination.
4. The residents will not feed stray animals.
5. The Housing Authority must have instructions on what is to be done with the pet in the event the resident is unable to take care of pet.

I, _____, acknowledge that I have read and fully understand the above regulations of the PET POLICY and any changes to these regulations as may be approved by the Housing Authority or HUD. I, also, acknowledge that I must abide by the regulations or after two (2) written warnings from the Housing Authority, I understand that a Notice to Vacate will be issued **or** I must rid my household of the pet within one week after the receipt of the Notice to Vacate.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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Witness: _____ Date: _____

Pet Description:

Type of Pet: _____

Color: _____

Name: _____

Other Info: _____

PET RELEASE

In the event, I _____, become unable to give instructions as to the care of my pet, this constitutes an Agreement to authorize the Housing Authority of the County of Jackson to notify and to release my pet to the care of

_____, _____
Name Address

Phone #

In the event, the above designated person refuses to or is unable to take my pet, I request that my pet (please check appropriate box)

Be taken to an animal shelter

Be put to sleep humanely

Further, instructions are as follows:

_____.

Resident

Resident

Witness: _____ Date: _____