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PET POLICY LEASE

RUSSELLVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY REQUIRES ALL TENANTS WISHING TO BRING PETS INTO THE COMMUNITY TO READ, UNDERSTAND, AND ABIDE BY THE RULES OUTLINES IN THIS PET POLICY/LEASE.

The coverage of this policy applies to rental housing built exclusively for families, elderly, and handicapped persons under a renter agreement with the Russellville Housing Authority.

1. Pet owners MUST register their pets with the Russellville Housing Authority BEFORE the pet is brought on the premises and must update the registration annually. (REFER TO LEASE PACKET)
2. A pet deposit of \$200.00 is required PRIOR to the pet being brought onto the premises.
3. Only common household pets will be permitted, such as a dog, cat, bird, or fish. Dogs must be UNDER 25 POUNDS. The following animals are NOT considered common household pets: Reptiles, Rodents, Insects, Arachnids, Wild or feral animals, Pot-bellied pigs, and animals used for commercial breeding. The following animals are NOT PERMITTED: Any animal whose adult weight will exceed 25 pounds; Dogs of the pit bull, rottweiler, chow, or boxer breed; Ferrets or other animals whose natural protective mechanisms pose a risk to small children of serious bites or lacerations; Any animal not permitted under state or local law or code.
4. Residents may own a maximum of two (2) pets, only one (1) of which may be a dog. In the case of fish, residents may keep no more than can be maintained in a safe and healthy manner in a tank holding up to 10 gallons. Such a tank or aquarium will be counted as one (1) pet.
5. All dogs and cats must be spayed or neutered at the time of registration, or in the case of underage animals, within 30 days of pet reaching 6 months of age. All pets must be up to date on rabies vaccinations. Veterinary statement/receipts must be provided as proof. Such verification will also be required with annual registration.
6. All pets shall be maintained within the pet owner's unit. When outside, the pet shall always be kept on a leash and under control. Under NO circumstances shall the pet be permitted to roam free in common areas. THIS IS A CITY ORDINANCE.
7. All pets kept by tenants must comply with state and local leash laws and registration.
8. Tenants are responsible for keeping all area where pets are housed clean, safe, and free of parasites, including fleas. Dog owners must immediately pick up and dispose of all dog waste deposited on the housing's streets or grounds. Cat owners must keep their litter box cleaned daily. Place soiled litter in tied, plastic bags and dispose of it in the garbage facilities.
9. Pet owners must make provisions for the care of their pets when he or she is away from home overnight or for an extended period of time. For example: leaving a pet alone for more than four (4) hours is considered an extended period of time.
10. Any pet which causes physical harm to any resident, guest, staff member, or other authorized person present upon the project grounds, shall be immediately removed from the premises by Management.
11. Tenants are responsible for ensuring that their pets do not disturb or annoy other tenants or neighbors. Tenants whose pet(s) are determined by Management to be disturbing others must remedy the situation immediately. A tenant who fails to remedy the situation after 2 warnings will receive a 30-day notice to remove the pet, except in the case of a serious problem (e.g., a vicious dog) whereby, length of time may be shortened in the interest of public safety. If the tenant fails to remove the pet, the tenant will be considered in breach of their lease agreement and may be required to vacate the premises.
12. Tenants are responsible for damages or injuries caused by their pets.