



Housing Authority of the City of Fulton Missouri

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PET POLICY

The following rules are established to govern the keeping of pets in and on properties owned and operated by the Fulton Housing Authority of the City of Fulton, MO.

1. Any dog or cat housed within the Housing Authority shall be **registered** with the Housing Authority by presenting **current documentation of current shot record and proof of neuter/spay** (when age appropriate). The tenant is also required to pay a refundable pet deposit to cover potential damages in the amount of \$75.00, **payable before the animal is brought onto FHA property**. If a pet is found to be on the FHA property before it is registered at the office, a \$150.00 deposit will be assessed to the tenant.
2. The security deposit must be in one lump sum, check or money order, and cannot be divided. FHA shall refund any unused portion of a pet deposit to the tenant within 30-days of the move out date or when the tenant advises they no longer have a pet. Damages attributable to the keeping of the pet will be charged against the deposit (i.e. yard damages, floor stains, wall stains, odor problems, holes and scratches to walls and doors).
3. That no more than one dog or cat, as described hereafter, per household shall be permitted.
4. That no exotic or farm animals will be allowed as pets, only common household pets that are traditionally kept in homes for pleasure rather than commercial purposes will be allowed. Common household pet means a domesticated animal, such as:
 - Dog Cat Bird
 - Rodent Rabbit Fish
 - Turtle
5. **Common household pet does not include reptiles (except turtles).**
6. **Exception:** People with disabilities are entitled to have medically necessary assistive and companion animals and will not be charged a pet security deposit. The need for a medically necessary animal must be verified by a health provider agency and/or doctor as requested by FHA.
7. The following breeds, or mixed breeds, of dogs are specifically prohibited:
 - Doberman Pinscher Bulldog Pitbull
 - Chow German Shepherd Bull Terrier
 - Rottweiler
8. Any dog or cat bred to be aggressive in behavior is specifically prohibited.
9. Any dog or cat that is greater than 18-inches tall is prohibited.
10. **Exception:** FHA tenants with disabilities are allowed to have German Shepherds when said animals are being utilized as assistive animals. Medically necessary, assistive and companion animals of any size and/or breed are allowed.



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11. That said dog or cat must wear a collar and be in compliance with the Fulton City Ordinance governing animals and fowl.
12. That said dog or cat shall be under the control of the owner at all times.
13. Dogs are not to be tied up outside for any extended length of time, unsupervised or otherwise.
14. Care is to be taken that the yard is not damaged by the animal confined in one location.
15. Bodily waste in the yard of the animal shall be cleaned up daily by the owner. Also, in any other areas of FHA properties, pet waste must be picked up by the owner of the animal.
 - A separate pet waste removal charge of \$25 per occurrence shall be charged to owners who fail to remove pet waste in accordance with these rules. (Occurrence means each time FHA personnel perform the task of removing feces from the yard or adjacent area to the pet.
16. In the case of cats and other pets using litter boxes, the pet owner must change the litter at least twice per week and pet owners must separate pet waste from litter at least once a day.
17. Any dog or cat registered with the FHA that causes, in the judgement of the FHA, a public nuisance in the neighborhood, shall be removed from FHA property. A public nuisance is defined as:
 - excessive or continuous barking, yelping or whining
 - molesting other tenants or guests in the area
 - aggressiveness towards other animals or people
 - odor from animal waste
18. If an animal attacks a tenant or employee of the Housing Authority, the animal must be removed from all FHA property.
19. Pets must be kept free of ticks, fleas and other vermin.
20. Refusal of a tenant to remove a dog, cat or other household pet which has been determined to be a public nuisance, or is of a breed which is prohibited under this policy, or who fails to properly register a pet with the Housing Authority as required under this policy, shall be grounds for termination of said tenant's Dwelling Lease under Section 12 thereof.
21. No visiting pets may be on the FHA premises.
22. Pets may not be unattended in a dwelling unit for more than twelve hours at a time.
23. These rules may be amended by the Housing Authority from time to time, following consultation with the tenants. FHA will give a 30-day written notice regarding any amendment. The notice will state the amendment and request written comments from the tenants. If requested by the tenants, a meeting will be held to discuss the amendment.
24. Tenants are encouraged to carry liability insurance to cover bodily harm to individuals or damages to buildings or other property caused by their pets.
25. Any litigation resulting from actions by pets shall be the sole responsibility of the pet owner. The pet owner agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Fulton Housing Authority from any claims, causes of action, damages or expenses, including attorney's fees, resulting from the action or activities of his or her pet.



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The pet owner hereby names _____

_____, _____, _____
Relationship Phone number Address

As the person who shall be responsible for the pet during any time of emergency or absence from the premises of the pet owner. The pet owner agrees that the Fulton Housing Authority may release or hand over possession of the pet to the above-named individual at such times and that if said individual refuses to take possession of the pet or cannot be contacted, then the pet may be delivered by Fulton Housing Authority to the City of Fulton Animal Shelter.

The undersigned tenant states that he or she has read, understands and agrees to abide by the above Fulton Housing Authority Pet Policy.

_____, _____, _____
Date Tenant Signature Street Address

[] I do not have a pet at this time
[] Yes I have a pet [] Yes I have a companion/service animal

_____ Name of Pet	_____ Name of Pet
_____ Breed	_____ Breed
_____ Date Shot Record Received	_____ Date Shot Record Received
_____ Date Shots Given	_____ Date Shots Given
_____ Date Proof of Spay or Neuter	_____ Date Proof of Spay or Neuter
_____ Date Pet Approved	_____ Date Pet Approved