

The Flint Area Consolidated Housing Authority allows residents to have a pet. The Authority will only allow domesticated dogs, cats, birds, and fish in aquariums at its properties. All dogs and cats must be spayed or neutered. No resident is allowed more than one (1) pet per unit. No pet can exceed thirty (30) pounds in weight. There is a pet deposit of \$150.00 required at the time of registering the pet with the authority. Residents are required to show proof from a veterinarian stating that the animal is healthy and inoculated when they pay the pet deposit. The Pet Ownership policy is available from the Flint Area Consolidated Housing Authority and a copy can be requested at any time.

The pet ownership policy does not extend to animals that are used to assist persons with disabilities. Assistive animals are allowed in all public housing facilities with no restrictions other than those imposed on all residents to maintain their units and associated facilities in a decent, safe and sanitary manner and to refrain from disturbing their neighbors.

## FLINT AREA CONSOLIDATED HOUSING AUTHORITY

### PET OWNERSHIP POLICY

1. Exclusions

This policy does not apply to animals that are used to assist persons with disabilities. Assistive animals are allowed in all public housing facilities with no restrictions other than those imposed on all residents to maintain their units and associated facilities in a decent, safe and sanitary manner and to refrain from disturbing their neighbors.

2. Approval

Residents must request approval for all pets on Housing Authority property by registering pets on the Authorization for Pet Ownership Form prior to Management's approval.

3. Types and Number of Pets

Management will allow only domesticated dogs, cats, birds and fish in aquariums in the dwelling units. All dogs and cats must be spayed or neutered. Only one (1) pet per unit is allowed. Any animal deemed to be potentially harmful to the health or safety of others, including attack or fight-trained dogs, will not be allowed. No animal may exceed thirty (30) pounds in weight.

4. Inoculations

A certificate from a veterinarian is required stating that the animal is healthy and has received all required inoculations which meets conditions prescribed by local ordinances.

5. Pet Deposit

A pet deposit of \$150.00 is required at the time of registering the pet. The deposit is refundable when the pet or family vacates the unit, less any amounts owed due to damage beyond normal wear and tear.

6. Obligation of Residents

Any Resident who owns or keeps a pet in the dwelling unit will be required to pay for any damages caused by the pet. Also, any pet related insect infestation in the pet owner's unit will be the financial responsibility of the pet owner and Management reserves the right to exterminate and charge the Resident.

7. Nuisance or Threat to Health or Safety

The pet and its living quarters must be maintained in a manner to prevent odors and any other unsanitary conditions in the owner's unit and surrounding areas. Repeated and substantiated complaints by neighbors or Management personnel regarding pets disturbing the peaceful enjoyment of neighbors through noise, odor, animal waste, or other nuisance will result in the owner having to remove the pet or vacate the dwelling unit. Pets must be kept in the owner's apartment or on a leash at all times when outside the unit. (No outdoor cages may be constructed). Pets will be allowed only in designated areas outside of the dwelling unit. Pet owners must keep areas clean and are responsible for disposing of pet waste.

8. Removal of Pets

Management or the appropriate community authority shall require the removal of any pet from the property if the pet conduct or condition is determined to be a nuisance or threat to the health or safety of other occupants of Management's property or other persons in the community where the pet is located.

18.0 PET POLICY

18.1 EXCLUSIONS

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18.2 APPROVAL

Residents must request approval for all pets on Housing Authority property by registering pets on the Authorization for Pet Ownership Form prior to Management's approval.

**18.3 TYPES AND NUMBER OF PETS**

Management will allow only domesticated dogs, cats, birds, and fish in aquariums in the dwelling unit. All dogs and cats must be neutered. Only one (1) pet per unit is allowed. Any animal deemed to be potentially harmful to the health or safety of others, including attack or fight-trained dogs, will not be allowed. No animal may exceed fifteen (15) pounds in weight.

**18.4 INOCULATIONS**

A certificate from a veterinarian is required stating that the animal is healthy and has received all required inoculations which meets conditions prescribed by local ordinances.

**18.5 PET DEPOSIT**

A pet deposit of \$150 is required at the time of registering the pet. The deposit is refundable when the tenant or family vacates the unit, less any amount owed due to damage beyond normal wear and tear.

**18.6 OBLIGATION OF RESIDENTS**

Any resident who owns or keeps a pet in the dwelling unit will be required to pay for any damages caused by the pet. Also, any pet-related insect infestation in the pet owner's unit will be the financial responsibility of the pet owner and management reserves the right to exterminate and charge the resident.

**18.7 NUISANCE OR THREAT TO HEALTH OR SAFETY**

The pet and its living quarters must be maintained in a manner to prevent odors and any other unsanitary conditions in the owner's unit and surrounding areas. Repeated and substantiated complaints by neighbors or management personnel regarding pets disturbing the peaceful enjoyment of neighbors through noise, odor, animal waste, or other nuisance will result in the owner having to remove the pet or vacate the dwelling unit. Pets must be kept in the owner's apartment or on a leash at all times when outside the unit. (No outdoor cages may be constructed). Pets will be allowed only in designated areas outside of the dwelling unit. Pet owners must keep areas clean and are responsible for disposing of pet waste.

**18.8 REMOVAL OF PETS**

Management or the appropriate community authority shall require the removal of any pet from the property if the pet conduct or condition is determined to be a nuisance or threat to the health or safety of other

occupants of management's property or other persons in the community where the pet is located.