

Veterinary Services

REGISTRATION OF ANIMALS

Summary. This is the second publication of this regulation. This regulation prescribes policies, responsibilities, and procedures in accordance with AR 40-905, provides guidance and local policy for the possession and control of animals for the Fort Myer Military Community (FMMC), and outlines measures necessary to protect the health and safety of personnel and animals in the FMMC.

Applicability. This regulation applies to all active duty military personnel assigned or attached to the FMMC and all transient military, retired, or civilian personnel who enter the installations. For military personnel, violation of the provisions of this regulation will provide a basis for criminal prosecution under the Uniform Code of Military Justice and other applicable laws and regulations. Civilians will be prosecuted under the appropriate State Codes for Virginia and the District of Columbia.

Supplementation. Supplementation of this regulation is prohibited without prior approval from the Veterinary Services, located at 101 Jackson Avenue, Fort Myer, VA 22211-1219, mailing address Veterinary Services, 204 Lee Avenue B-12, Fort Myer, VA 22211-1219, or telephonically call (703) 696-3604 or fax (703) 696-0464.

Suggested Improvements. The proponent of this regulation is the Veterinary Services. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 directly to Veterinary Services, 204 Lee Avenue B-12, Fort Myer, VA 22211-1219, or telephonically call (703) 696-3604 or fax (703) 696-0464.

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* This regulation supersedes FMMC Regulation 40-1, dated 17 March 2000.

1. Purpose

To provide guidance and local policy for the possession and control of animals for the FMMC, which consists of Fort Myer, Virginia, and Fort Lesley J. McNair, District of Columbia, and to outline measures necessary to protect the health and safety of personnel and animals in the FMMC.

2. References

Required and related publications and prescribed and referenced forms are listed in appendix A.

3. Explanation of Abbreviations and Terms

Abbreviations and special terms used in this regulation are explained in the glossary.

4. Pet Authorization

a. Residents of single-family dwelling units or duplexes are limited to a maximum of three animals. Pets are not allowed in the barracks or transient lodging facilities. The Garrison Commander must approve, in writing, any exceptions to this policy. Animals may not be maintained on Fort Myer or Fort McNair for commercial purposes.

b. No one may capture or possess wild or exotic animals on Fort Myer or Fort McNair.

c. With the exception of authorized guests, pets of non-residents are not allowed on Fort Myer or Fort McNair except for pets that are being brought to the Fort Myer Veterinary Clinic for care.

5. Pet Registration and Microchipping

a. All dogs, cats, and other pets more than 90 days of age maintained in government quarters (except small caged animals and fish) will be registered at the Veterinary Clinic within 10 days of arrival or acquisition. The animal need not accompany the owner during registration. Registration consists of initiating a medical record and ensuring immunizations are current. A current certificate of rabies immunization must be presented at the time of registration, if applicable. The rabies tag must be attached to the animal's collar, harness, or cage, as applicable, and must be worn at all times when the animal is outside of the owner's quarters. The tag will help in identifying and verifying compliance with this policy. Failure to register pets may result in their removal from Fort Myer or Fort McNair.

b. Registration must be canceled upon transfer of ownership or death of the registered animal. All military personnel who maintain pets in the FMMC are required to clear through the Veterinary Clinic before final clearance from the installation. Necessary health records will be given to the owner at that time.

c. Animal registration is not transferable. Registration is required under the new owner's name, at which time a new tag and number for identification will be issued.

d. Lost or misplaced registration tags will be reported to the Veterinary Clinic promptly. A new tag will be issued and the animal's record so annotated.

e. Microchipping is highly recommended. A computer microchip is placed under the skin; this procedure is similar to vaccination. The computer microchip is permanent and assists in the identification of pets and their safe return if they are brought to a veterinary clinic or to an animal shelter. The cost of microchipping will be borne by the owner.

6. Pets of Visitors/Guests

Pets of guests of military personnel in the FMMC are the responsibility of the sponsor of the guest, and the sponsor will ensure that the animal does not present a threat to the health or safety of other persons or animals on this installation. Animals of guests must have a current rabies vaccination, and the animal must wear a current rabies tag or be accompanied by a current certificate of rabies vaccination. The administration of immunizations, if not current, will be at the owner's expense. A DD Form 2208 will be issued along with a Fort Myer rabies tag (this will serve as the registration tag).

7. Pet Owner Responsibilities

a. Pet owners must immediately clean up and properly dispose of all fecal waste created by their pet in all public areas, yard areas of other residents, and in their own yard to reduce spread of disease from animals to humans. Pet owners must not allow their pets to create an unsightly, offensive, or potentially unhealthy environment with their excrement.

b. Pets found unattended, running free, or not under control of the owner by leash on Fort Myer may be apprehended by the Animal Welfare League of Arlington. Animals picked up as strays by Arlington County are brought to the Animal Welfare League of Arlington, 2650 South Arlington Mill Drive, Arlington, VA 22206, phone (703) 931-9241, fax (703) 931-2568 or www.awla.org.

c. Pets found unattended, running free, or not under control of the owner by leash on Fort McNair may be apprehended by the District of Columbia Animal Control. Animals picked up as strays by District of Columbia Animal Control are brought to the District of Columbia Animal Control, 1201 New York Avenue, N.E., Washington, DC 20002, and phone (202) 576-6664, fax (202) 635-7915 or www.wash.humane.org.

d. The practice of feeding or providing shelter to wildlife, stray, or feral animals is strictly prohibited. In addition, all personnel residing on Fort Myer or Fort McNair are requested to collect refuse and garbage in properly covered containers to discourage wild or stray animals from roaming in housing areas.

8. Clinic Operations

The Fort Myer Veterinary Clinic is located at 101 Jackson Avenue, Fort Myer, Virginia 22211-1219. The telephone number is (703) 696-3604. The mailing address is: Fort Myer Veterinary Clinic, 204 Lee Avenue, Fort Myer, VA 22211-1219. The Veterinary Clinic is operated IAW Army Regulation 40-905, Medical Services: Veterinary Health Services. Services for privately owned pets will be provided as personnel availability and time constraints allow, as determined by the installation veterinarian. All animals will be seen on an appointment basis. No appointments will be made to interfere with higher priority missions of the Fort Myer Branch Veterinary Services. The Veterinary Clinic is operated strictly as an outpatient clinic for administering required immunizations, health certificates, diagnostic services, and treatment of diseases that are an actual or potential threat to the health of the command (diseases shared by and transmissible between humans and animals) and its government-owned animal populations. Medical care is limited to bona fide

pets of personnel authorized military medical privileges. Emergency services are not available. The cost of all care provided by the Veterinary Clinic will be borne by the owner.

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Appendix A References

Section I Required Publications

AR 40-905

Medical Services, Veterinary Health Services

Section II Related Publications

This section contains no entries.

Section III Prescribed Forms

DA Form 2028

Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms

DD Form 2208

Rabies Vaccination Certificate

Section IV Referenced Forms

This section contains no entries.

Glossary

Section I Abbreviations

FMMC

Fort Myer Military Community

DoD

Department of Defense

Section II Terms

This section contains no entries.

Section III Special Abbreviations and Terms

This section contains no entries.

RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE

(Read Privacy Act Statement on back before completing form.) (Print in ink or type.)

1. OWNER'S NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)						2. TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include Area Code)									
3. ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, ZIP Code)															
4. ANIMAL'S NAME		5. SPECIES (X) <input type="checkbox"/> DOG <input type="checkbox"/> CAT		6. SEX (X) <input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE		7. AGE (X) <input type="checkbox"/> 3 TO 12 MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> 12 MONTHS OR OLDER		8. SIZE (X) <input type="checkbox"/> UNDER 20 LBS. <input type="checkbox"/> 20 - 50 LBS. <input type="checkbox"/> OVER 50 LBS.		9. PREDOMINANT BREED		10. COLOR(S)			
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12. FOR LICENSING AGENCY USE				13. DATE VACCINATED (YYYYMMDD)				16. VETERINARIAN							
a. LICENSE NUMBER			b. YEAR	14. RABIES TAG NUMBER				a. LICENSE NUMBER							
c. OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> CHANGE <input type="checkbox"/> ADD			d. CONTROL NO.					15. VACCINATION EXPIRES (YYYYMMDD)				b. SIGNATURE			
												c. ADDRESS			