



IMPERIAL VALLEY HOUSING AUTHORITY PET POLICY AND CONTRACT

The following rules govern the keeping of pets in and on properties owned and managed by the Imperial Valley Housing Authority.

Only elderly, handicapped or disabled tenants residing in senior low income housing units are permitted to keep pets in units that have no outside fenced area.

All pets must be registered with the Housing Authority. Tenants must receive a written permit to keep any animal on or about the premises whether or not the Tenant or others own the animal. This privilege may be revoked at any time, subject to the Housing Authority grievance procedure, if the animal becomes destructive, a nuisance or a safety hazard to other tenants, neighbors or staff, or if the tenant fails to comply with the following:

1. A maximum number of two pets are allowed, only one may be a dog or cat.
2. Permitted pets are domesticated dogs, cats, birds and fish (aquariums). Dogs and cats must weigh 25 pounds or less when they are full-grown. No reptiles are allowed.
3. Dogs are to be licensed yearly with the City or County, and tenants must show proof of yearly rabies shots.
4. No vicious or intimidating animals are allowed. This includes, but is not limited to Pit Bulls, Rottweilers, Dobermans, Chows and Boxers, or combinations with substantial traits of these breeds.
5. All cats and dogs must be spayed or neutered.
6. No pet may be kept in violation of state humane or health laws, or local ordinances.
7. Dogs and cats shall remain inside a tenant's unit or on the tenant's fenced property unless they are on a leash and directly controlled by an adult. Birds must be confined to a cage at all times.
8. Residents are to provide litter boxes for cat waste, which are to be kept in the unit. Tenant is not allowed to let waste accumulate. Residents are responsible for properly disposing of cat waste in container for trash provided by the Housing Authority.
9. Tenants are responsible for promptly cleaning up pet droppings, if any, outside of unit on Housing Authority property, and properly disposing of said droppings in container for trash provided by the Housing Authority. This includes tenant's yard.

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10. Tenant shall take adequate precautions to eliminate any pet odors within or around unit and maintain unit in a sanitary condition at all times,
11. Tenant shall not permit any disturbance by their pet, which would interfere with the peaceful enjoyment of other tenants in their residences; whether by loud barking, howling, biting, scratching, chirping, odors, becoming vicious or intimidating' or other disturbing activities.
12. If pets are left unattended for twenty-four (24) hours or more, the Housing Authority staff may enter to remove the pet and transfer it to the proper authorities subject to state law or local ordinances. The Housing Authority accepts no responsibility for the pet under such circumstances.
13. Tenants shall not alter their unit, patio or yard to create an enclosure for an animal.
14. Tenant is responsible for all damages including cost of fumigation if their pets cause the need for fumigation.
15. Tenants are prohibited from feeding stray animals. The feeding of stray animals shall constitute having a pet without permission of the Housing Authority.
16. Tenant shall pay a damage deposit for each animal as follows: a dog \$50, a cat \$25, a fish or bird none. This deposit shall be paid in advance or when the pet is accepted. This deposit is refundable if no damage is done, as verified by the Housing Authority staff, after tenant disposes of the pet(s) or moves.
17. All of the rules contained in this contract are a material part of the Tenant lease agreement. A violation of any rule contained in this contract shall constitute "good cause" for eviction. Instead of eviction for violation of these rules, the Housing Authority, at its discretion, may impose a lesser sanction such as requiring Tenant at Tenant's own expense to get rid of the pet.
18. Tenants must identify alternate custodian for pet in the event of tenant illness or other absence from unit.



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I have received permission from the Housing Authority to keep a pet(s) in my residence as a tenant of the Housing Authority.

I have read and fully understand the rules and regulations in regard to this privilege and will abide by it,

My alternate pet custodian is:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Kind of pet: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Date Sprayed or neutered: _____

Date of Rabies Shot: _____

License Number: _____ Date of License: _____

Licensing Agency: _____

Deposit: _____ Date Paid: _____

Housing Authority staff signature

Date

Tenant signature

Date

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____