

- A child age 12 -17 may provide supervision for siblings and non-siblings if they have completed the American Red Cross Baby-sitter Certification Class or equivalent. Please refer to post/base specific policies for appropriate ages and corresponding time constraints.
- A child at the appropriate age to provide self-care should be mature and competent in home alone skills and should be able to contact a parent or designated adult in case of emergency. Competence in home alone skills includes possessing the necessary physical, emotional, intellectual, and social skills to respond appropriately to a small crisis (such as being locked out of the house or losing electricity) or an emergency (fire, severe weather, accidents requiring first aid). It also includes possessing a level of maturity and discipline to follow rules or guidelines established by a parent.
- All policies regarding supervision of children apply inside and around the home, in common areas, playgrounds, Community Centers, swimming pools, sidewalks, walkways, and parking lots unless otherwise specified in the installation specific guidelines.
- Individuals who provide childcare in housing for more than ten childcare hours per week on a regular basis are required to become certified Family Child Care providers. Both the "10-hour" and "regular basis" conditions must be met for this requirement. Contact Family Child Care Office or your Community Management Office for more information.

#### **4-6 FAMILY CHILD CARE**

Family Child Care (FCC) is regulated, home-based childcare provided by certified military family members operating as independent contractors from on-Post or leased housing.

FCC is a program subsidized, through Appropriated Funds, providing an alternate means for parents needing care for their children with a flexible schedule at a reasonable cost.

FCC homes usually require minor modifications and equipment, which are handled through the FCC coordinators. The Community Management Office must approve modifications that require permanent installation. Also, to assure proper installation, community maintenance staff will install or supervise the installation of those modifications. Examples of equipment include safety latches, Ground Fault Interrupters and special fire extinguishers. Water heaters and furnaces must not be accessible to children. Corvias will repair any health, safety, and maintenance concerns discovered during the FCC pre-certification. Any additional safety equipment or FCC specific modifications will be performed at the expense of the Resident and/or the FCC program. The Army Risk Management Program (RIMP), a self-funded insurance program, provides up to \$500,000.00 of liability coverage for FCC providers. To request to become an FCC provider, Residents need to contact the FCC Coordinator.

#### **4-7 PET POLICY**

Owners/sponsors are ultimately responsible for their animals' behavior, and must take measures to ensure their animals behave appropriately.

A pet owner/sponsor must control and care for their pets in a manner which is harmonious with the community. The privilege of residing in on-post housing is dependent on this ability. The Installation or Garrison Commander may terminate the pet owner/sponsor's privilege to maintain a pet on Fort Bragg for failure to comply with this policy.

Housing occupants will not own or maintain more than two dogs and/or cats in any combination per household.

Ferrets, snakes, rodents, (skunks, raccoons, squirrels, other tree or woods- dwelling animals, etc.) and other exotic animals are not permitted in family privatized housing.

Horses and other equine animals are not permitted in or on Fort Bragg Family housing.

Any animals found running loose or abandoned on Fort Bragg will be impounded by Veterinary Services until proper disposition can be made.

### **REGISTRATION OF PETS:**

All pets that will be kept in family housing must be registered with the Veterinary Services within 30 days of arrival or acquisition.

The registration requirement does not apply to caged small animals, birds, or fish. Dogs and cats older than 90 days of age must be immunized and wear a Fort Bragg rabies tag. This tag will be attached to the animal's collar. The animal must wear the collar and tag at all times when the animal is outside the owner's/sponsor's home. Failure to register pets that will be kept in family housing will result in the immediate removal of the pet from the home. Community Center staff will verify removal of the pet.

All dogs and cats must be enrolled in the Veterinary Services microchip identification program. Concurrent with registration, pet owners will be required to show proof that their dog(s) or cat(s) is (are) enrolled. If the animal has not been micro chipped, the owner must do so within 30 days of arrival on the installation. This can be done at either the installation's Veterinary Services facility or at a licensed civilian veterinary clinic. Proof of micro chipping must be provided to the installation Veterinary Services before the pet's registration is complete. Proof of proper registration must be submitted to Corvias Military Living. This proof can be submitted to the applicable Community Center staff.

Owners/sponsors must notify Veterinary Services and the applicable Community Center of Corvias Military Living of animals that have died or that they no longer own so the records can be removed from the files. Persons who have animals registered on the installation and who are departing the installation must clear through Veterinary Services as well.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF OWNERSHIP/SPONSORSHIP OF ANIMALS:**

- a. Pets are the responsibility of the Resident. As such, owners will be liable for all damages to include carpet, doors, walls, shades, blinds, screens, appliances, and other parts of the home or community including landscaping. Pets will be controlled at all times by their owners. Such control prevents pets from becoming a nuisance or menace to other persons, animals, or property. In addition, Resident is liable for the entire amount of any injury or damage caused by such pet. **It is strongly recommended that pet owners acquire liability insurance coverage specifically naming their pet(s) as insured.** This insurance coverage will mitigate the cost of injury to third parties and/or damage to real property. The property insurance provided by Corvias covers contents of homes and does not cover liability for damages or injuries caused by pets.
- b. Residents will pay a refundable pet deposit for each pet and a non-refundable fee for each pet as outlined in the pet addendum. The refundable deposit(s) and fee(s) will be due and payable in full to Bragg Communities, LLC before a service member moves into Fort Bragg family housing. If a resident acquires a pet(s) after moving into family housing, the deposit(s) and fee(s) must be paid in full as noted above, before the resident begins maintaining the pet(s) at the home.
- c. Pets will be housed indoors or may be secured outside the home within an approved fenced yard or in a regulation-sized kennel, which must be kept in the back yard of the home. Fencing restrictions are

outlined in a separate section of this RRG. Pets in unfenced yards or on a tether or chain are not allowed. If you elect to purchase a kennel for your pet, the following are minimum guidelines for kennel size from the Humane Society of the United States and based on the size and number of pets are:

<b>Number of Dogs</b>	<b>Under 50 lbs.</b>	<b>Over 50 lbs.</b>
<b>1</b>	6 x 10 (60 sq. feet)	8 x 10 (80 sq. feet)
<b>2</b>	8 x 10 (80 sq. feet)	8 x 12 (96 sq. feet)

- d. Kennels must be constructed of heavy-duty chain link fencing material and each kennel must include a vinyl type cover specifically designed for the kennel purchased. Kennels may be purchased at pet supply stores such as PetSmart, etc. **or other retail outlets such as the PX, Wal-Mart, etc... They can also be purchased online at pet supply warehouses. Please visit your Community Center to coordinate the installation date of either your fence or kennel. New residents are required to comply within 30 days of occupancy.**
- e. Pets must receive sufficient wholesome food and adequate water in a tip-proof container. Water must be replenished several times during the day to prevent contamination and to keep the pet well hydrated.
- f. Dogs and cats are to be kept on a leash and under the owner’s supervision and control at all times when outside the home or yard. Leashes will be either the retractable type, or if not retractable, no longer than 6 feet.
- g. Poop and scoop is mandatory and requires the removal of pet waste from yards, common areas, and grounds in the community. The Resident will incur charges for failure to comply, and the expense will be commensurate with the cost for a third party to remove the pet waste.
- h. Birds, gerbils, hamsters, etc. must be caged at all times.
- i. It is recommended that all dogs and cats be spayed or neutered if you have no intention to breed your pet. A neutered animal is less likely to roam and more content to stay at home. These are safe procedures when performed by a qualified veterinary professional. Families that decide to breed their pets must obtain alternative housing for the offspring after the weaning period of 8 weeks of age.
- j. Do not leave pets unattended in vehicles during warm weather. If an animal is left unattended in a vehicle, the Military Police will take the necessary action to preserve and protect life. This may include entering the vehicle and possibly breaking a window to save the animal.
- k. Pets are not permitted in any recreational areas such as swimming pools, recreation centers, tennis courts, playgrounds, or any other recreational facilities including laundry rooms, offices, and clubrooms at any time. Exceptions will be made for Service Animals.
- l. Make sure pets do not make excessive disturbing noises. These noises include, but are not limited to, continued and repeated howling, barking, whining, or other utterances that cause unreasonable annoyance, disturbance, or discomfort to neighbors or others in close proximity to the premises where the animal resides.

**PROCEDURES FOR BITE INCIDENTS:**

- a. Anyone seeing an animal bite or scratch incident will immediately report it to the applicable Community Center Office.
- b. All animals that bite or scratch humans are subject to a mandatory 10-day quarantine as rabies suspects. Quarantine may occur at the Fort Bragg Veterinary Services Impound Facility or a private

veterinary establishment (at the owner's expense). Proof of quarantine must be provided to the applicable Community Center Office.

- c. Animals involved in any biting incidents will either:
  1. Be removed from post.
  2. Be humanely euthanized if determined to be a further danger.

Control of pets is the sole responsibility of the resident, therefore, minor children should not be entrusted with this control, whether on or off the leased premises. Biting incidents are considered very serious and removal of the offending pet from family housing areas is an immediate consequence of a biting incident.

### **ACTION REQUIRED FOR DANGEROUS ANIMALS AND APPEAL PROCEDURES:**

- a. If an animal is declared dangerous by Veterinary Services, the owner/sponsor will be directed by Corvias Military Living to remove the animal from the housing community's. This directive may be initially issued verbally and followed by a written directive within 24 hours.
- b. Pets that are deemed recurring nuisances by Corvias Military Living will also be recommended to the Garrison or Installation Commander for immediate removal from the installation.
- c. Owner/sponsor may request a reconsideration of the Garrison/Installation Commander's decision to remove the pet from the installation if they believe their situation would justify a modification or termination of the removal order. The Resident must submit a written Exception to Policy (ETP), within 10 working days from receipt of the GC's order, through the chain of command to the Garrison Commander/Installation Commander for consideration. After 10 working days, owners should expect the original order to be executed without delay.

Resident should notify the Military Police concerning loose or stray animals or any animal which, by its conduct or temperament, reasonably constitutes a physical threat to people or other animals. All animal bites or scratch incidents to humans should be reported to the nearest medical facility. The offending animal is subject to a physical examination and quarantine. Failure to abide by this Pet Policy may result in a revocation of pet privileges.

## **4-8 PARKING**

Parking by the Resident, family, and guests is authorized in the following areas:

- Resident's driveway and other designated parking spaces only.

Parking is prohibited, except when complying with the directions of a law enforcement official or traffic control device, in any of the following places:

- On a sidewalk
- In front of a driveway other than the Resident's
- Within an intersection
- Within fifteen feet of a fire hydrant
- On a crosswalk or within twenty feet of a crosswalk at an intersection
- On lawns or grassed areas
- In front of a rural mailbox
- At any place where official signs prohibit parking

Vehicles parked in appropriate locations must have current post and valid state license registration or risk being towed and impounded without prior notice at vehicle owner's expense. Parking in space(s) allotted to