

# **Welcome to Fort Knox**

## **Veterinary Treatment Facility**

Building 1006, 192<sup>nd</sup> Tank Battalion Road

Fort Knox, KY 40121

Phone: (502) 624 – 5819 / 3271 Fax: (502) 624-2773

Hours M-F 8:00-4:00 closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch

We close at Noon on the last day of every month.

Email: Fortknoxvtf@gmail.com

### **In the event of a pet emergency:**

Jefferson Animal Hospital\*

24 Hour Emergency

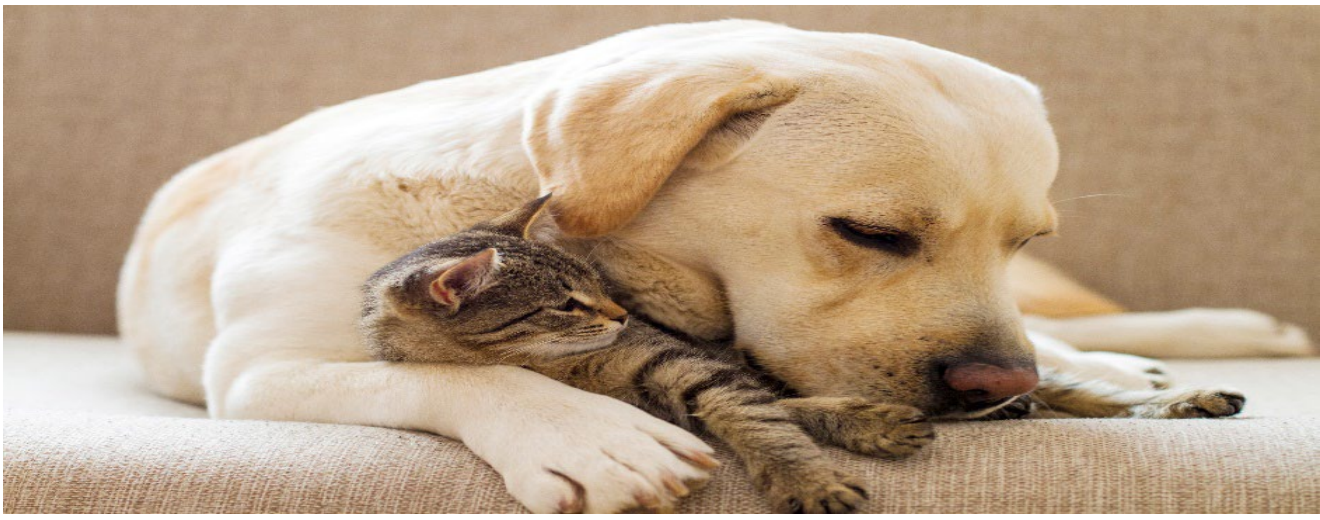
4504 Outer Loop, Louisville, KY

Phone: (502) 966 – 4104

**All visits are by appointment only. We are unable to accommodate walk-ins or emergencies.**

**Prescription requests require a 24-hour notice.**

**For PCS OCONUS refer to the USDA Aphis Pet travel Website**



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### Fort Knox Veterinary Treatment Facility Policy Statement

1. Authorized patrons shall be identified by an official form of identification including the DoD Common Access Card (with affiliation “uniformed services” listed on the front of the CAC), DD Form 2 (retired active duty or reserve ID cards), DD Form 1173 (dependents of active duty ID card), DD Form 1173-1 (dependents of Guard and Reserve ID card), or DD Form 2765 (Medal of Honor recipients, 100% disabled veterans, and other eligible categories as described in DoD policy); or by an official identification card issued by the Military Service of which the patron is affiliated.
2. Animals are seen by appointment only.
3. Children are allowed to accompany you for the appointment, but it is your responsibility to keep them safe while in the Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF). If your child(ren) becomes a threat to other clients, other animals, or themselves you will be asked to reschedule your appointment.
4. **“No-Show” Policy** – Due to the limited availability of appointments, failing to show up for your scheduled appointment is considered a “no-show” infraction. Also, arriving 10 or more minutes late for an appointment; or giving less than a 24- hour notice to cancel an appointment will result in a “no-show”. After three (3) “no-show” infractions you may lose your VTF privileges for up to one (1) year.
5. **Surgery Appointments** – If you fail to cancel a surgical appointment with more than a 48- hour notice, you will receive **two (2) no-show** infractions.
6. All animals must be on a leash or in a carrier and in the control of the owner at all times. Owners of pets that are aggressive towards other animals should leave their pet in the car until they are ready to enter the exam room.
7. Payment is due upon receipt of services. **No refunds.** We accept **cash, check, Visa or MasterCard.**
8. Prescription medication will only be dispensed if there is a current veterinarian-client-patient relationship. A veterinarian-client-patient is only **valid if the patient has been seen at the VTF within the last 12 months** or has been seen at a **military clinic** within the last 12 months.
9. It is strongly recommended to have a relationship with a local civilian veterinarian that will be able to see your pet during off-duty hours or in the event of an emergency.
10. **Breeding** – In accordance with AR 40-905, 3-4j, **veterinary services will not be provided in support of commercial operations that breed or raise animals for sale or profit. The breeding of animals is prohibited on Fort Knox.** Intact animals not intended to be used for breeding are eligible for care at the Fort Knox VTF. Veterinary services will not be provided beyond the diagnosis of pregnancy or before the weaning of puppies or kittens. Spaying and neutering of pets is **ALWAYS** encouraged for the health of your pet.
11. Patrons residing on-post agree to have their contact information (including, but not limited to name, address, phone number) shared with Knox Hills housing in the event that the patron’s pet is picked up as a suspected stray animal found loose on post. This information is to help quickly reunite the pet to its owners.

I have read, understand, and will comply with the above stated policies.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Owner signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
DOD ID Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pet(s) Name

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**Local Veterinary Clinics**

Bluegrass Animal Care Center  
N 31W , 849 S Dixie Blvd  
Radcliff, KY 40160  
Phone: (270) 351-1121

Bluegrass Animal Care Center  
455 A Bypass Rd.  
Brandenburg, KY 40108  
Phone: (270) 422-3395

Blue Pearl Veterinary Specialty &  
Emergency Services  
13160 Magisterial Drive  
Louisville, KY 40233  
Phone: (502) 244-3036

Country Critters Vet Clinic  
5985 North Dixie Highway  
Elizabethtown, KY 42701  
Phone: (270)-737-0246

Elizabethtown Animal Hospital  
831 Ring Rd  
Elizabethtown, KY  
Phone: (270) 737-8220

Heartland Veterinary Clinic  
108 Blue Heron Way  
Elizabethtown, KY  
Phone: (270) 765-4795  
Fax: (270) 765-4785

Helmwood Veterinary Clinic  
804 N. Dixie, E-town, KY  
Phone: (270) 737-1818  
Fax: (270) 765-7795

Irvington Animal Clinic  
317 W. Hwy 60  
Irvington, KY  
Phone: (270) 547-7387

Jefferson Animal Hospital  
24 Hr. Regional Emergency Center  
4504 Outer Loop, Louisville, KY  
Phone: (502) 966-4104

Larue County Animal Clinic  
Hodgenville, KY  
Phone: (270) 358-9650  
After-hours Emergency  
Phone: (270)358-4474

Metropolitan Veterinary Specialty &  
Emergency Services  
11800 Capital Way  
Louisville, KY  
Phone: (502) 266-7007

North Hardin Veterinary Clinic  
822 Dixie Blvd  
Radcliff, KY  
Phone: (270) 351-6633

Shively Animal Hospital  
2401 Dixie Hwy  
Shively, KY  
Phone: (502) 778-8317  
Fax: (502) 778-3682

S.N.I.P. Clinic  
(By Appt Only - Spay and Neuter Only)  
2445 Crittenden Drive  
Louisville KY 40217  
Phone: (502) 636-3491

Vine Grove Animal Clinic  
5585 Flaherty Road  
Vine Grove, Ky 40175  
Phone (270) 828-5626

Veterinary Wellness Center: Pet Rehab  
Mindy Johnson: (859) 255-2275  
466 Angliana Ave  
Lexington, KY 40508

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### **Local Pet Services**

#### **Obedience Training**

Bella's K9 Academy, Radcliff  
Bella Gaudette Email: [bella@bellasK9.com](mailto:bella@bellasK9.com)  
Phone: (270) 877-0118

#### **Grooming**

Karen's Pampered Pets, Radcliff	Phone: (270) 351-7297
Pawsh Pet Salon, E-town	Phone: (270) 737-2974
Pawsitively Stylin, Radcliff	Phone: (270) 351-9297
Clippity Doo Dog, Radcliff	Phone: (270) 272-3059
Bark and Bathe, Elizabethtown	Phone: (270)-769-2275
Ms Honey Bee's Vine Grove	Phone: (270)-955-3996

#### **Boarding Facility**

North Hardin Vet Clinic, Radcliff	Phone: (270) 351-6633
North Hardin Vet Clinic, Radcliff	Phone: (270) 422-1020
Creature Comfort Inn, Brandenburg	Phone: (502) 937-2987
Dixie Animal Hospital, Louisville	Phone: (270) 765-4795
Heartland Vet Clinic, E-town	Phone: (270) 737-1818
Helmwood Vet Clinic, E-town	Phone: (270) 351-7297
Karen's Pampered Pets, Radcliff	Phone: (270) 351-6633
North Hardin Vet Clinic, Radcliff	Phone: (270) 766-1955
Sam Russell's Pet Provisions, E-town	Phone: (270) 801-5224/6225
Best Furiends Pet Resort, Radcliff	

#### **Pet Sitting (in your home)**

Snug @ Home Pet Sitting Penny Edwards & Pam Harrison	Phone: (270) 945-7480
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## Beware of mosquitos, ticks and fleas

Riis, G. Anthonie, *The Gold Standard*. 21 June 2018. FKGoldStandard.com. Web.

The carefree days of summer aren't so much these days due to mosquitos, ticks and fleas.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported these creatures are more than just a summertime nuisance; they are increasingly becoming killers, and CDC officials forecast them to be out in record numbers this year.

In a recent article titled *Illness on the Rise from Mosquito, Tick and Flea Bites*, the CDC reports that disease cases tripled in the United States from 2004 to 2016, with more than 640,000 cases of disease now linked to these insects.

Since the study began, nine new germs have been spawned by mosquitos, and the diseases spread by ticks has doubled from three to six. Fleas spread one disease — the plague, which decimated the European population during the Dark Ages.

Kentucky is taking these threats seriously, warning citizens to do the same.

“Mosquitos have done more harm to human health and well-being than any other insect group,” wrote Michael Potter and Mark Beavers, in a report published by the University of Kentucky.

All five kinds of mosquitos common to Kentucky can carry some form of debilitating disease like malaria, yellow fever, dengue, chikungunya, Zika and West Nile, according to the University of Kentucky.

Potter and Beavers report mosquitos transmit the disease from other animals – namely birds – to humans. “There is no person-to-person transmission via mosquitoes because the virus concentration in human blood never reaches a sufficient level to infect biting mosquitoes.”

Cases of West Nile disease have been reported in the Bluegrass State and have even affected the canine population.

“Lately, Kentucky has seen an outbreak of West Nile where mosquitos pass the disease to people and the chronic problem of heartworms to dogs,” writes Potter and Beavers.

While there are many ways to ward off mosquitos, from insecticides to pungent plants to encouraging mosquito eating predators with bird or bat houses, Potter and Beavers suggest the best, most thorough method is killing them during infancy.

**It is very important to keep your pet on heartworm and flea/tick prevention all year round.**

“Mosquitos undergo complete metamorphosis of four stages: egg, larva, pupa and adult. All stages except adult occur in water,” according to the article. “The most effective way to control mosquitoes is to find and eliminate their breeding sites [usually by upturning or disposing of anything that holds water for more than a couple days]. ... The most effective biological control agents [for ponds, lakes or standing bodies of water] are predaceous fish, which feed voraciously on mosquito larvae.”

The University of Kentucky reports ticks are opportunistic parasites that wait along well-traveled paths for their victims to come by. Five different types can be found in the state, and each has the potential to transmit disease.

While ticks can carry disease, they don't automatically spread the disease, but Potter and Beavers report that the likelihood increases the longer the parasite is attached to a person. They encourage people to check for ticks soon and often.

“An infected tick usually has to attach and feed for several hours before it can transmit a disease organism to its host. Never crush or squeeze the tick's body, it may force disease organisms into the wound,” the report reads. “Early detection and removal of ticks drastically reduces your risk of tick borne illnesses.”

According to Potter and Beavers' article, fleas can still transmit the plague epidemic in humans and give dogs parasites, known as tapeworms. Fleas differ from mosquitos and ticks in that both of those pests are typically left outside. Not so with fleas. They thrive just as well inside the home as out.

Potter and Beavers explained that fleas have six stages in their lifecycle with staggered birth dates. This poses unique challenges for eradication because a new batch of juvenile fleas can be found at any stage of development to provide an ever-ready hoard.

Potter and Beavers offered that mosquitos, ticks and fleas can be largely diminished by keeping a manicured yard and ridding the property of overly shaded and dank areas where they congregate. .

When dealing with chemical insecticides, Potter and Beavers write a methodical approach performed cyclically is best: “Effective flea control requires a systematic program consisting of inspection, client education, treatment of the pet and treatment of the premises.”

Both the CDC and the University of Kentucky suggest the best defense against mosquitos, ticks and fleas is to get them before they get you.

# Notice

We require all pets to have medical records in our system at the time of appointment.

Please email all medical records to [FortKnoxVTF@gmail.com](mailto:FortKnoxVTF@gmail.com) prior to appointment. If you are unable to e-mail you must arrive 15-20 minutes early with records in hand. You will be rescheduled or agree to have all required treatments if no records available.

All dogs **MUST** be on a leash and all cats **MUST** be in a carrier. I have acknowledged the above notice.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please allow 24-48 hours for this process.

# Fort Knox VTF Registration Form

Spouses Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Rank/Grade Sponsors Name: \_\_\_\_\_

/Status/Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Pet Information:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Species (i.e Canine, Feline) \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Age/Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_ Spayed/ Neutered (Circle if applicable)

Is your pet microchipped? Yes No (Circle) Microchip #: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Species (i.e Canine, Feline) \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Age/Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex \_\_\_\_ Spayed / Neutered

Microchip #: \_\_\_\_\_

Coming from another base? Yes No (Circle)

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Species (i.e Canine, Feline) \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Age/Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex \_\_\_\_ Spayed/ Neutered

Microchip #: \_\_\_\_\_



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND  
HEADQUARTERS, US ARMY GARRISON COMMAND, FORT KNOX  
111 E CHAFFEE AVENUE  
FORT KNOX, KENTUCKY 40121-5256

REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

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1 November 2023

**MEMORANDUM FOR**

Commanders, All Units Reporting Directly to this Headquarters  
Commanders, Fort Knox Partners in Excellence  
Directors and Chiefs, Staff Offices/Departments, This Headquarters

**SUBJECT:** Garrison Policy Memo No. 3- Fort Knox Pet Control

**1. REFERENCES:**

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 40-905, (Veterinary Health Services)
- b. Knox Hills Resident Guide
- c. SAIE Policy (Domestic Animals on Army Installations)
- d. Title 40, U.S.C, Section 291, (Admission of Guide Dogs Accompanied by Blind Masters).

**2. PURPOSE:** Pet owners have the responsibility to control their pets. Unsupervised and unleashed pets are not permitted on the installation. Pets must be always on a leash when outside the home or when not in an enclosed yard. This includes cats. Voice command is not an acceptable means of control. Pets are not allowed at bus stops, playgrounds, or youth sports fields at any time.

**3. PROHIBITED ANIMALS:** Wild animals, exotic animals, farm animals or fish tanks/aquariums larger than 20 gallons are prohibited. Residents, employees, contractors, or visitors may not bring on the installation any dog of breed that is deemed aggressive/ dangerous or potentially aggressive /dangerous. These breeds of dogs are defined as American Pit Bull Terrier, Pit Bull/Pit Bull Terrier, American Staffordshire Terrier, English Staffordshire Terrier, Rottweiler, Doberman, Chow, Presa Canario, Cane Corso, Neapolitan Mastiff, Wolf, and Wolf Hybrid, including mixed breeds, are prohibited. These restricted breeds policy may not apply to service animals.

**4. AGGRESSIVE DOGS:** Animals with the propensity for dominant or aggressive behavior indicated in the following types of conduct may be immediately removed from post by authority of the Garrison Commander.

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a. Unprovoked barking, snapping, growl, snarl or jump on or otherwise threaten persons without provocation.

b. Aggressive animals which cause unprovoked harm to any person or animal or are involved in any provoked bite/scratch incidents.

c. Escaping residence, gated areas, or restricted means to chase people or animals.

5. **ADDITIONAL PETS:** Residents may have a total of three pets (dogs and cats) in any combination. Dogs and cats are deemed appropriate domestic pets. Small animals such as birds, fish and guinea pigs are allowed as long as they are properly caged and cared for and they are not owned for breeding purposes.

6. **AUTHORIZED HOUSING:** Authorized animals are housed within the home. Garages or balconies are not suitable housing. Pets are not to be tied or staked outside the home. Pets are required to be in the home or in an enclosed backyard if unattended. Dog houses and kennels are permitted within enclosed yards only and should be removed prior to move-out. Kennels or houses must not be taller than the existing fencing. Owners are responsible to ensure dogs are not excessively barking or disturbing neighbors while outside.

7. **SERVICE AND THERAPY DOGS:** Service and therapy (emotional support animals) dogs are wonderful tools which help serve mankind. The Service Dog is any dog trained to assist and meet the needs of its disabled handler, as implemented by the Guide Dog regulations established under Title 40, U.S.C., and Section 291. A Therapy dog is any dog that is trained to meet the needs of others, such as in a nursing home, hospital, schools, and a variety of other settings. There are dogs that do multiple jobs as both service dogs and therapy dogs. Service dogs are protected under the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act and may accompany their handler in every public environment. Some of those areas are restaurants, grocery stores, medical facilities, official buildings, and courts. Therapy dogs do not have the same access rights as service dogs. A Service dog can be any breed or size; however, a therapy or emotional support animal must abide by the prohibited animal restrictions.

8. **NOTIFICATIONS:** Any observance of aggressive animal or animal biting incidents will be reported to the Military police immediately. Owners of aggressive/biting animal will provide necessary documentation for vaccines to the investigation officer and will follow guidance provided by the Post Veterinary clinic for possible quarantine. Reports of bites will be forwarded to the Preventive Medicine office.

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9. STRAYS: Wildlife is expected in all areas of the installation. Aggressive or appearance of sick wildlife can be reported to the Military police. Strays located in the Housing areas will be reported to Knox Hills. Strays located in the Garrison or Training areas will be reported to DPW..

10. Violations of this pet policy may result in an order to remove the animal from the installation. Violations may also result in a resident warning letter and may lead to exclusion from the installation housing areas for any serious or repeat violation of the policy.

11. The point of contact for this policy is the Department of Public Works Housing Division Chief Mary-Ellen Correia, at (502) 624-8350 or maryellen.correia.civ@mail.mil.



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Commanding