



Initial Quarantine exams must be completed within 72 hours (3 business days) of your arrival to Okinawa.

Your appointment date/time is: _____

Appointment location is Kadena Veterinary Clinic, Bldg 731 on Kadena AB

If arriving via AMC, your appointment will be scheduled before you leave Kadena terminal. If arriving via commercial airline, Army Veterinary Personnel will reach out via email to schedule your appointment. Please be advised this appointment is legally required and failure to present your pet(s) may result in OVETAC leadership contacting command channels.

For our new clients who have just arrived, you will need to come to the Okinawa Veterinary Activity (VETAC) for your pet's registration and initial quarantine exam within 72 hours (3 business days) of your arrival. This exam is to verify your pet is not showing symptoms of rabies. Registration forms are available at the clinic or can be downloaded and printed out from our website at:

<https://phcp.health.mil/Commands/Public-Health-Activity-Japan/Okinawa/>

Please make sure to bring your pet(s) and any documentation you have, including previous pet records, and travel related documents to your appointment!

The Okinawa VETAC staff is committed to efficiently providing quality veterinary care. We understand your time is valuable. To accommodate all our clients, we will be unable to offer any additional services during your quarantine appointment. If your pet(s) require any additional services, please see the front desk staff to schedule a sick call or wellness appointment for your pet(s).

We appreciate your patience.



What to expect at your Okinawa Veterinary Activity (VETAC) quarantine appointment:

If you are unable to make the scheduled appointment time for your pet(s) initial quarantine, please contact the clinic to reschedule.

For clients that arrived through AMC:

You have already received the registration paperwork and will be given the Quarantine Discharge Sheet upon check in. Please bring the following completed and signed documents from your packet to the front desk and wait to be called:

- Client & Pet Registration Form (1 form per pet)
- Client Policies Form
- Home Quarantine Policy for Pets
- Quarantine Discharge Sheet – Provided to you for your review and signature

For clients that arrived on a commercial flight:

When you check in with the front desk, you will be provided with a packet of documents. Included in this packet are several documents for your review and retention, and several forms that must be completed, signed, and returned to the front desk.

Documents for review:

- In Home Quarantine Handout – discusses the basics of in home quarantine for your pets
- Welcome Packet – Information regarding Pets on Okinawa

Documents to be signed and returned:

- Client & Pet Registration Form (1 form per pet)
- Client Policies Form
- Home Quarantine Policy for Pets
- Quarantine Discharge Sheet – Provided to you for your review and signature

Important information regarding your pet(s) appointment:

To accommodate all our clients, quarantine appointments will not include any additional services. Please see the front desk staff after your appointment and they will be happy to schedule a future sick call or wellness appointment for your pet(s). The Okinawa VETAC staff is committed to efficiently providing quality veterinary care. We understand your time is valuable.

- Initial Exam - \$40.00 per pet + \$2 user fee
- Final Exam - \$25.00 per pet + \$2 user fee

IN HOME QUARANTINE

Transport

Pet(s) may be transported to and from the port of entry to a military base, no stops are authorized between these destinations.

Arrival

Owners have 3 business days to report in to the Military Veterinary Facility for their mandatory initial quarantine exam and registration.

Authorized Areas

The only authorized areas for quarantined animals are in the pet(s) owner's **on-base quarters, TLF, on base veterinary clinics** and **authorized on base boarding facilities**.

Contact

While on quarantine, the pet(s) is not allowed to have contact with any other animals outside of the pet owner's household.

Bathroom Breaks

Quarantined animals are allowed outside only to eliminate while kept on a leash. Dogs are **not** allowed to be taken for walks. Owners must stay with the dog(s) at all times while outside. Cats must remain strictly **indoor** at all times during the duration of quarantine.

Clearing Quarantine

Quarantined animals are to remain on quarantine until they are **physically seen** at their Final Quarantine Examination by the Military Veterinary Facility, regardless of if the assigned release date has passed.

JAPAN HAS AUTHORIZED IN HOME QUARANTINE FOR SOFA STATUS PERSONNEL ONLY. THIS IS NOT A PRIVILEGE THAT IS EXTENDED TO THOSE VISITING JAPAN OR THOSE WHO FALL OUTSIDE OF THE SOFA AGREEMENT WITH JAPAN.



Leaving Japan

Signed quarantine documents (i.e. MDJ 270) are required to leave Japan. Once quarantine is complete, ensure that you return for your paperwork. It is recommended you keep it in an EEO/NEO Packet.



CLIENT & PET REGISTRATION

Welcome to our clinic and thank you for registering with the Okinawa Veterinary Activity. Please complete the following information about you and your pet accurately. Your pet's medical records are confidential and just as important as yours. Thank you!



ABOUT YOU:

Sponsor Name (Last, First, MI): _____

Spouse Name (Last, First, MI): _____

Rank: _____ Grade: _____ Branch of Service: _____

Unit: _____ Duty Phone: _____

Location:

On Base

Off Base

PSC Mailing Address (PO Box): _____

Official/Military Email Address: _____

Alternate E-Mail Address(s): _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Spouse Phone: _____

COMMANDER/SUPERVISOR INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Duty Phone: _____

Email: _____

ABOUT YOUR PET:

Name: _____

Breed: _____ Mixed:

Date of Birth: _____ Estimated: _____

Color: _____

Microchip: _____

Sex: Male Neutered Male

Female Spayed Female

Species: Dog Cat

Other _____

Verified by Staff: _____

BREEDING POLICY

1. In Accordance with Army Regulation 40-905, veterinary services will not be provided in support of any commercial operation raising animals (pets or livestock) for profit.
2. The Okinawa Veterinary Activity (VETAC) will **not treat any pets that are producing or being produced for profit.**

Name (printed): _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

MISSED APPOINTMENT POLICY

When a client makes an appointment and (1) is more than 5 minutes late, (2) does not show, or (3) fails to cancel 2 hours in advance, this appointment is considered a “no show.” This impacts our ability to serve all of our clients. After the first no-show appointment a warning letter will be sent and you will be on probation for 6 months. The second no-show appointment will result in a letter to you and your commander/supervisor and loss of veterinary clinic privileges for 3 months followed by a 6-month probation. The third no-show appointment will result in a letter to you and your commander/supervisor and loss of veterinary clinic privileges for 6 months.

Surgery/Dental/Drop-off Appointments - When a client makes an appointment and (1) is more than 5 minutes late, (2) does not show, or (3) fails to cancel 2 business days prior, this appointment is considered a “no show.” This will result in a letter to you and your commander/supervisor and loss of clinic privileges for 1 year.

Name (printed): _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

PAYMENT POLICY

Payment is due when services are rendered. Acceptable forms of payment include cash, personal check, Visa, MasterCard and Discover credit cards.

PRESCRIPTION AND OTC MEDICATION POLICY

Prescription and OTC Medications - No medication, including heartworm prevention, will be dispensed without a valid veterinarian-client-patient relationship at a military veterinary facility within the last 12 months. The pet must have tested negative for heartworms within the past 12 months and must have proof if done off base in order to dispense heartworm prevention. No prescriptions from civilian veterinary clinics will be filled at this facility in accordance to federal law. Prescription requests need to be sent to **usarmy.zama.medcom-ph-p.mbx.pha-j-okinawa-vetac-lab@health.mil** at least 1 business day prior to pick up and must be picked up within 7 days. If not picked up within 7 days, the prescription will be restocked and will need to be requested again.

CLIENT POLICIES

The Okinawa Veterinary Activity has as its primary mission to provide care and service to Military Working Dogs. It is our pleasure to also service privately owned pets as a courtesy to the military community in Okinawa. However, we would ask that you understand that there are some 15,000 private pets owned by members of the U.S. military community on island, and that we have the staff to only service about 1000 private pets per month.



Veterinary care is provided for privately owned animals as time, space, personnel and resources permit. We cannot guarantee veterinary care will be available at all times and clients are strongly encouraged to research the local civilian veterinary clinics off base, especially for emergency care. To that end, pursuant to our policy, if required we may deny service to you, and your pet, if you, or your pet's conduct is disruptive to our already taxed operations. To be clear, denial of service is a resolution of last resort, but we have to keep the well-being of our staff in mind. Thank you for your patronage.

Authorized Personnel - Clients must possess a valid US Armed Forces Identification Card and SOFA status for services.

Appointments - Patients are seen by appointments only. Life threatening emergency walk-ins will take priority over appointments. All dogs must be on a leash and cats in a carrier for their visit. Pets on a leash must be well restrained by their owner. After-hours emergency care is not available due staffing and resources. A list of off base clinics is readily available and can be provided upon request. **Please develop your own emergency plan for your pets with a local veterinarian** for times when the clinic is closed.

Operating Hours - Please be advised that our hours of operation and closure dates are subject to change.

Children Policy - For safety reasons, children under the age of 12 years are not recommended in the VETAC. **Children must be under the supervision of a parent or guardian at all times.** Children may not be left unattended in the reception area. Pets will not be seen unless a member of the family over 18 years old is present for the entire appointment.

Breeding Policy - US Army regulation prohibits provision of veterinary care and use of the veterinary treatment facility to clients that breed their pets. Animals maintained for commercial purposes must be seen at a civilian veterinarian. Clients who disregard this policy will have privileges revoked.

Registration - All dogs, cats and ferrets must be registered at the Okinawa Veterinary Activity. Registration is comprised of (1) maintaining a record at the clinic, (2) keeping your pet(s) current on annual vaccinations, and (3) having an identification microchip. All dogs, cats and ferrets regardless of living on or off base must have a microchip to receive services at the VETAC. Deregistration - To deregister a pet that is no longer in your name you will need to obtain a letter of memorandum signed by an E-8 or higher stating why this pet is no longer in your possession. Example letters are available at the front desk.

Transfer of Ownership/Caretaker Designation - If you no longer own your pet, have found a new home for your pet or your pet dies, it is your responsibility to notify the clinic. Prior to transferring ownership of your pet, both you and the new owner must be present with IDs to sign an Ownership Transfer Form. The original owner will be legally responsible until the form has been completed. Clients that are temporarily departing for TDY or vacationing and are leaving their pets behind in the care of another person, will need to fill out a Caretaker Designation Form to receive treatment in our facility.

These policies are in effect to make you and your pet's visit safe and enjoyable. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



Laura C. Harms
Captain, VC Okinawa
VETAC OIC

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE POLICIES. I UNDERSTAND THAT SERVICE MAY NOT BE OFFERED IF I AM NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE ABOVE POLICIES.

Name (printed): _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please read and be familiar with the information in our welcome packet. There is helpful information in the packet in regards to special considerations while living on Okinawa. The packet also contains a listing of off base veterinary clinics. By signing below, you are acknowledging that you have received the VETAC information packet. It also indicates that you understand that you should be familiar with the nearby off base veterinary facilities in the event of an emergency with your pet when emergency services are not available at the Okinawa VETAC.

I HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THE OKINAWA VETAC INFORMATION PACKET.

Name (printed): _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
VETERINARY READINESS ACTIVITY, JAPAN
OKINAWA BRANCH VETERINARY SERVICES
APO AP 96367

MCHB-RP-JBO

19 August 2025

MEMORANDUM FOR Incoming Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) Status Personnel

SUBJECT: Home Quarantine Policy for Pets

1. The practice of allowing pets to remain in the custody of their owners during the assigned quarantine period is a privilege extended by the Government of Japan to SOFA status personnel due to the long history of cooperation between our two nations. Therefore, it is imperative that all SOFA status personnel fully comply with Japanese quarantine laws concerning examination or processing of animals for entry into or exit from Japan. It is incumbent upon all SOFA status personnel to support and adhere to the following specific policies so that we do not jeopardize the good standing we have with our host nation. Failure to comply with these requirements could potentially result in the revocation of the home quarantine privileges for all SOFA status personnel. **Any violation of these policies will be reported to the responsible command and the Government of Japan for action**

2. All SOFA status personnel with animals placed in quarantine status are required to comply with the following restrictions until the animal has been released from quarantine by the Okinawa Veterinary Activity. The final quarantine release examination must be conducted with the animal present on or after the final quarantine release date that was assigned by the quarantine official at the port of entry.

3. Please initial each of the following items indicating that you understand and will comply with the restrictions listed below:

a. While the animal is in quarantine, the pet is not allowed to have contact with any other animal outside the pet owner's household. _____

b. The only authorized areas for quarantined animals are in the pet owner's on-base quarters, temporary lodging (pet TLF), and Karing Kennels. Vehicular transportation between authorized areas is allowed. _____

c. Dogs must stay in the pet owner's quarters at all times except when taken outside to eliminate (defecate and urinate). When taken outside to eliminate, dogs must be kept on a leash. Dogs are not allowed to be taken for walks around the block. The owner must stay with the dog at all times when it is outside, and must hold the leash at all times. Dogs are not allowed to be off leash in a fenced yard. Cats must be kept strictly indoors at all times. _____

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d. Animals are not allowed to do the following activities on or off base while on quarantine: visiting groomers, visiting dog parks, visiting off base residences, or visiting parks and beaches. _____

e. Animals are to remain quarantined until released at a final examination by a veterinarian at the Okinawa Veterinary Activity – **quarantine does not end just because the assigned date for release has passed. The animal must be examined and official quarantine paperwork completed by an Army Veterinarian.** _____

f. Non-compliance may result in notification of the owner’s chain of command and/or the Government of Japan. Consequences can include, but are not limited to: loss of home quarantine privilege, loss of SOFA status, and monetary fines. _____

4. The point of contact for this memorandum is the Okinawa Veterinary Activity Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge (VETAC NCOIC).

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LAURA C. HARMS
CPT, VC
Okinawa VETAC OIC

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE POLICIES. I AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE RESTRICTIONS FOR THE DURATION OF MY PET’S QUARANTINE. I UNDERSTQAND THAT IF I AM NOT IN COMPLIANCE I MAY BE REPORTED TO MY CHAIN OF COMMAND OR THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN FOR FURTHER ACTION.

Name (printed):

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



Policies and Okinawa Pet Information

The primary missions of the U.S. Army Okinawa Branch Veterinary Services are food inspection, food quality assurance, public health issues, care of Military Working Dogs, and care of privately owned pets. Full service medical care is provided for pets of authorized personnel on Okinawa. We provide care to over 15,000 pets owned by members of all military services and numerous federal agencies.

Disclaimer - Veterinary care is provided for privately owned pets as time, space, personnel and resources permit. *We cannot guarantee veterinary care will be available at all times and clients are strongly encouraged to become familiar with the local civilian veterinary clinics on island before the need arises to utilize them.* We ask that you are familiar with the location of the nearest off base veterinarian.

Authorization For Services - Veterinary care is authorized for animals owned by persons eligible to receive medical care from the Department of Defense. A valid SOFA status identification card is required before services will be performed.

Breeding Policy - U.S. Army regulation prohibits provision of veterinary care to clients that breed their pets for profit and also to clients that charge a fee to breed their pets. Clients who receive profit for the breeding of their pets will have all routine veterinary privileges revoked. Owners are still responsible for providing proof of current vaccinations.

Missed Appointments - When a client makes an appointment and (1) is more than 5 minutes late, (2) does not show, or (3) fails to cancel 2 hours in advance or 2 business days prior for surgery/dental/drop-off appointments, this appointment is considered a "no show." This impacts our ability to serve all of our clients. After the first no-show appointment a warning letter will be sent. The second no-show appointment will result in a letter to you and your commander/supervisor and loss of veterinary clinic privileges for 3 months. The third no-show appointment will result in a letter to you and your commander/supervisor and loss of veterinary clinic privileges for 6 months. Missed surgery/dental/drop-off appointments will result in a letter to you and your commander/supervisor and loss of clinic privileges for 1 year.

Children Policy - For numerous health and safety reasons, bringing children under the age of 12 years old into the veterinary clinic is not recommended. Please note that your children's behavior and safety while in the clinic is your responsibility.

Operating Hours - Our normal operational hours are Monday through Thursday 0830 - 1630 and Friday from 0830 - 1500. We are closed for all U.S. Government holidays and the Last Duty Day of each month. Hours subject to change.

Appointments - Please call our appointment line at DSN 315-630-3990 to speak with a staff member. We can set up all routine medical appointments and input requests for surgery appointments.

Payment For Services - Payment is due when services are rendered. Acceptable forms of payment include Visa, Discover or MasterCard. The Okinawa Veterinary Activity operates as a Non-Appropriated Fund (NAF) organization and therefore requires payment for services.

Important Information for All Pet Owners on Okinawa

- 🐾 **Register:** All US SOFA status personnel stationed on Okinawa (on AND off base) must register their pet with Okinawa Veterinary Activity (VETAC) located at Kadena Air Base Building 731.
- 🐾 **Microchip:** All cats and dogs are required to be microchipped.
- 🐾 **Rabies:** All dogs are required to be vaccinated *annually* against the rabies virus regardless of manufacturer's recommendation and all cats must be vaccinated per the manufacturer's recommendation.
- 🐾 **Leashes:** Okinawa's law requires all pets to be under the owner's control at all times. A 6-foot or shorter, nylon or leather lead is optimal for all dogs.
- 🐾 **Large Breeds:** The Okinawa government also strongly recommends that all owners of fighting or large breed dogs take additional precautions to protect the public against mishaps. Okinawa defines "fighting dogs" as pit bull terriers and Tosa-Inus; it defines "large breed" as any dog over 55 cm in height. PLEASE be especially diligent in ensuring your dog is well-mannered, maintained under an adult's control, and NEVER allowed to roam off leash (even if the dog is under voice control).
- 🐾 **Living Off-Base:** All US SOFA personnel in Japan residing off-base with dogs must register their dogs with their local city government office. *Cats are not required to be registered.*
- 🐾 **Living On-Base:** All US SOFA personnel in Japan residing on-base with pets must register their pets with the Kadena Base Housing Office.

High Risk Pet Problems on Okinawa

Heat Injury is potentially fatal and results from exposure to high temperatures. On Okinawa, our high heat and high humidity climate can mean heat injuries happen quickly because panting, how dogs cool themselves, becomes very inefficient. Keys to avoiding heat injuries include walking only at the coolest parts of the day, providing plenty of water and ensuring shade is provided. Signs of heat injury include unstoppable panting, bright red gums, fast heart rate, vomiting, diarrhea and convulsions. **Heat injuries are emergencies, seek medical care immediately.**

Habu Snakes are venomous snakes present on Okinawa. They tend to be found on Okinawa in dense jungles, caves, around rodent prone areas and sugar cane fields but can be found almost anywhere. **A Habu bite or a suspected Habu bite is an emergency, seek medical care immediately.**

Heartworms are a fairly large worm that lives its adult life in the heart and pulmonary artery of cats and dogs. Pets acquire this infection through mosquitoes who carry the larval form of these worms. **Okinawa has a very high incident of heartworms** and positive animals act as a reservoir for the disease's spread. **Heartworm prevention kills the larval form of heartworms and is key to preventing your pet from developing adult worms.** Adult worms can only be killed via medical treatment, however this comes with inherent risk, and adult worms irreversibly damage your pet's heart.

Ticks on Okinawa can carry **Babesia** which is a protozoan that attaches to red blood cells and destroys them. Symptoms of Babesiosis include weakness, jaundice, fever, pale gums, vomiting, lethargy and red/orange colored urine. Tick prevention is key, **Babesiosis is life threatening and an emergency.**

PCSing and Traveling with Your Pet

While you may have just arrived in Okinawa, it is a good idea to be thinking ahead to your next move. Set yourself up for success by following these guidelines:

- 🐾 Do not let your vaccinations lapse (always early, never late).
- 🐾 Consider keeping your FAVN current (good for 2-3 years depending on destination *if* rabies vaccinations are kept up to date without a lapse).
- 🐾 Some breeds are temperature restricted from flying during hot months. Have a plan in place, especially if you own a brachycephalic ("short nosed") or giant breed.
- 🐾 Shipping pets can be costly, it is never too early to start saving!
- 🐾 Check the USDA's website when considering base options and after orders have been cut:
<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/pet-travel/>

Information for US SOFA Personnel in Japan Living Off-Base with Pets

All US SOFA personnel in Japan residing off-base with pets
must register their pets with their local city government office.

CITY	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
NAGO CITY	905-0006 1710-3 UMUSA, NAGO CITY	098-052-0003
ONNA SON	904-0492 2451 ONNA, ONNA SON	098-966-1205
GINOZA SON	904-1392 296 GINOZA, GINOZA SON	098-968-8501
KIN CHO	904-1292 1 KIN, KIN CHO	098-968-2460
YOMITAN SON	904-0392 2901 ZAKIMI, YOMITAN SON	098-982-9214
OKINAWA CITY	904-8510 26-1 NAKASONE CHO, OKINAWA CITY	098-939-1212 (REPRESENTATIVE)
URUMA CITY	904-2292 1-1-1 MIDORI CHO, URUMA CITY	098-973-5594
KADENA CHO (CHOMINKA)	904-0293 588 KADENA, KADENA CHO	098-956-1111 (REPRESENTATIVE)
CHATAN CHO	904-0192 731 KUWAE, CHATAN CHO	098-982-7033
KITANAKAGUSUKU SON (SEIKATSUKANKYOKA)	901-2392 426-2 KISHABA, KITANAKAGUSUKU SON	098-935-2233 (REPRESENTATIVE)
NAKAGUSUKU SON	901-2493 176 TOMA, NAKAGUSUKU SON	098-895-2131 (REPRESENTATIVE)
GINOWAN CITY	901-2710 1-1-1 NODAKE, GINOWAN CITY	098-893-4140
URASOE CITY (KANKYOHZENKA)	901-2501 1-1-1 AHACHA, URASOE CITY	098-876-1234 (REPRESENTATIVE)
NAHA CITY	900-8585 4F 2-3-1 MEKARU, NAHA CITY	098-951-3229
NISHIHARA CHO	903-0220 112 KADEKARU, NISHIHARA CHO	098-945-5013
YONABARU CHO	901-1392 16 UEYONABARU, YONABARU CHO	098-945-7244
HAEBARU CHO	901-1195 686 KANESHIRO, HAEBARU CHO	098-889-1797
NANJO CITY	901-1292 807 NAKAMA OZATO, NANJO CITY	098-946-8981
TOMOSHIRO CITY	901-0292 854-1 ONAGA, TOMOSHIRO CITY	098-850-5520
YAESE CHO	901-0401 1318-1 KOCHINDA, YAESE CHO	098-998-8203
ITOMAN CITY	901-0392 1-1 SHIOZAKI CHO, ITOMAN CITY	098-840-8124

To register and obtain a dog license, please contact the respective city office in your area. Please take a signed rabies certificate from the clinic to receive the tag. The initial registration fee is approximately ¥3000. An annual ¥550 rabies vaccination tag is also required for dogs living off-base. The registration and rabies tag must be attached to the dog collar.

The Laws and Guidelines that Apply to Dogs Off-Base in Okinawa

I. Japanese Laws pertaining to dog ownership

- Rabies Prevention Law.
- Laws pertaining to the control, prevention and eradication of rabies Act on Welfare and Management of Animals.
- Laws pertaining to proper care, welfare and treatment of animals Municipal ordinances and codes on animal ownership.
- Local regulations pertaining to animal ownership.

II. Dog owner's duty – Failure to follow the laws below may result in fines

1. Owners must register their dogs at local city office and receive a dog registration tag per dog.
2. If a dog registration tag is lost or broken, owners must apply for reissue.
3. All dogs must receive rabies vaccination annually. Vaccination can be done at any veterinary clinic or at the "mobile vaccination clinic" provided by the city governments in April, May and June. For more information about mobile vaccination clinic, contact local city office for time and place.
4. Owners must obtain rabies vaccination tags by showing rabies vaccination certificate at local city office.
5. Do not let dogs be off leash - always confine them or keep them on leash.
6. Dog registration tag and rabies vaccination tag must be attached to the dog collar.

III. Owners of fighting breed and large breed dogs should abide by the following guidelines per Okinawa prefecture

1. Fighting breed and large breed dogs should be kept confined except when being transported, exercised, or trained in a safe area where there is no concern about possibility of harming other people or property.
2. Only persons who can control the dog may bring the dog out of the confined area.
3. A muzzle or other device to prevent bite incidents is required when taking out fighting breed and large breed dogs.
4. Fighting breed and large breed dogs should be kept in cage in principle and placed on leash.
5. If a cage is used, the cage should be of lockable type and the key is controlled by owner or caretaker.
6. If a cage is used, the cage should be placed away from public roads and not be easily accessible to other people than the owner and caretakers.
7. Place a notice warning the public of the fighting breed and large breed dogs on the premises. The notice should be visible and noticeable.
8. If the owner does not intend to breed, it is strongly recommended to spay or neuter the dog.
9. Definition of fighting breeds and large breeds: Fighting breeds include American Pitbull Terrier, American Staffordshire Bull Terrier and Japanese Tosa-ken. Large breed dogs include any breed that is 55 cm or greater in height at the wither.

IV. Claiming your dog at Okinawa Animal Protection and Control Center (APCC)

1. At the shelter, dogs are kept for maximum 5 working days, then euthanized on the following working day. If you claim your dog at AWCC, you must bear the handling charge. Contact APCC for more information including exact amount. The handling charge is only payable in prefectural stamp and not in cash. Prefectural stamp can be purchased on the first floor of Okinawa Public Health Center. Public Health Center is beige, two story building located on the left from the gate of APCC.
2. **Personnel at APCC do not speak English, so it is helpful to bring a translator.** If the microchip when scanned starts with a "9" they will typically contact the Okinawa VETAC for help identifying the pet. If the pet is registered in the Okinawa VETAC electronic Veterinary Health Record, staff will notify the owner and help to coordinate pet pickup from APCC.

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Okinawa Prefectural Animal Protection and Control Center

2000 Aza Ozato, Ozato, Nanjo-shi, Okinawa-ken 901-1201 Phone: 098-945-3043

Miyako Area Miyako Regional Public Health and Welfare Center Phone: 098-072-3501

Yaeyama Area Yaeyama Regional Public Health and Welfare Center Phone: 098-082-3243

CENTRAL OKINAWA

 : Emergency vet

Noah Animal Hospital

Prescription refills
 Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Phone: 098-934-4477
 Address: 4-44-3 Chibana, Okinawa (KAB Gate 3)
 Hours: Please ask to the clinic.

Chubu Animal Medical Center



Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Phone: 098-938-5480
 Address: 5-19-2 Matsumoto, Okinawa (KAB Gate 3)
 Hours: 0900-1300, 1500-1800

Chubu Vet



Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Dermatology, Cardiology, Orthopedic, Oncology
 Phone: 098-923-3195
 Address: 814-1 Kamisedo, Chatan (KAB Gate 5)
 Hours: 0900-1300, 1500-1900

Veterinary Hospital Chatan (Wolves Hands)



Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Ophthalmology, Rehabilitation, CT/MRI at branch clinic
 Phone: 098-921-7211
 Address: 1-15-20 Kuwae, Chatan (Camp Foster, KAB)
 Hours: 0930-1200, 1600-1730

Kitanaka Animal Clinic



Vaccinations, Microchip, Penn HIP, Exotic animals
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Phone: 098-923-5015
 Address: 456-1 Toguchi, Kitanakagusuku
 Hours: 1000-1200, 1500-1800
 Closed Thu PM and Sunday

Anesis Pet Clinic



Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Phone: 098-896-1711
 Address: 1-50-5 Nodake, Ginowan
 Hours: 0900-1100, 1500-1800
 Closed Sun and Japanese holidays PM

Pet Medical Center EIR



Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Ophthalmology, Laparoscope
 Phone: 098-930-0119 (EN) 098-930-2222 (JP)
 Address: 2-1-1 Hiyagon, Okinawa
 Hours: 0900-1200, 1600-1800
 Closed Tuesday

Misato Animal Hospital



Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Phone: 098-988-7878
 Address: 457-1 Esu, Uruma
 Hours: 0900-1130, 1600-1830
 Closed PM of Wed, Sun and Japanese holiday

Friends Animal Hospital

Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Phone: 098-926-2033
 Address: 1-11-12 Kitamae, Chatan (Camp Foster)
 Hours: 0900-1130, 1500-1800 (Sat 1400-1600)
 Closed Wed, Sunday and Japanese holidays
 Recommend to give them a call before going

Coco Animal Hospital



Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Rabbits
 Approved rescuing injured wild birds vet
 Phone: 098-958-3311
 Address: 88 Zakimi, Yomitan
 Hours: 0930-1200, Mon/Tue/Fri 1500-1800
 Closed Sunday and Japanese holidays

Iris D&C Clinic



Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Dermatology, Dentistry
 Phone: 098-957-5155
 Address: 462 Kadena, Nakagami (KAB Gate 1 / 3)
 Hours: 0900-1300, 1500-1800
 Closed Obon and New years

SOUTH OKINAWA

Ryukyu Animal Medical Center

Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery
 Cardiology, CT scan
 Phone: 098-851-2211
 Address: 5-27 Yone, Tomigusuku
 Hours: 0900-1130, 1500-1730
 Closed Monday

Sakura Pet Clinic

Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Ophthalmology, Must bring a Japanese translator
 Phone: 098-888-1525
 Address: 507-1 Yonaha, Haeburu
 Hours: 0900-1130, 1500-1730
 Closed Tue PM, Wed and Japanese holidays

Nansei Animal Hospital

Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Exotic animals, CT scan, MRI
 Phone: 098-988-8012
 Address: 4-1-7 Miyagi, Urasoe
 Hours: 0900-1200, 1600-1800
 Closed Sun PM and Japanese holiday PM

Anju Animal Hospital

Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Phone: 098-898-8866
 Address: 3-14-1 Makishi, Ginowan
 Hours: 0900-1200, 1600-1930
 Closed Wed PM, Sun and Japanese holidays PM

NORTH OKINAWA

Megumi Veterinary Hospital

Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Injured wild birds
 Phone: 098-043-6680
 Address: 1-4-11-1 Ominami, Nago
 Appointment Only - Book via phone call
 Closed Thur, Sun and Japanese holidays

Kinjo Animal Hospital

Vaccinations, Microchip, Health certificate
 Primary care, General surgery, Dental
 Phone: 098-053-4143
 Address: 841-1 Biimata, Nago
 Hours: 0930-1200, 1500-1900
 Closed Sat PM, Sun and Japanese holidays



Okinawa Veterinary Medical Association

After Hour Vet Clinics
 Phone: 098-833-6067 Hours: 2000-2300
 Emergency only.
 Dogs and cats only. Ask for other animals.
 English speaking staffs may not available.
 The Clinic location changes everyday as rotation.
 For more details, please go <https://www.okijyu.jp>

ANIMAL WELFARE AND MANAGEMENT CENTER

(OZATO STRAY FACILITY)
 Must bring Japanese translator
 Phone: 098-945-3043
 Address: 2000 Ozato, Nanjo
 Hours: 0830-1130, 1300-1630
 Closed Sat, Sun and Japanese holidays
 Release fee: ¥4000/pet + ¥350/day (Yen ONLY)