

Sasebo Veterinary Treatment Facility

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 0800-1600

(closed for lunch 1200-1310)

Thursday: Closed

This facility observes federal and Army training holidays and is closed the last business day of the month.

Hours may vary based on the needs of the mission, always confirm through our Facebook calendar or calling.

Contact Information:

DSN (from base): 315-252-3585

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Facebook Page: [Sasebo Veterinary Treatment Facility](#)

Accepted Methods of Payment:

Visa, Discover, or MasterCard only

Information About The Sasebo VTF

The Sasebo Veterinary Treatment Facility is authorized to provide care for your privately owned pet(s) as time, space, personal resources permit. Care for privately owned animals is just one of the many missions we perform; therefore we cannot guarantee veterinary services will always be available.

There is an Army veterinarian that is stationed here that does provide services for privately owned animals. The primary mission of our Sasebo veterinarian is to provide medical care for the Military Working Dogs and to provide food inspection services for the base. Due to other obligations of our veterinarian, we do advise that you become familiar with the off base veterinary clinics. You will find a list of off-base veterinary clinics within this welcome packet.

This clinic is not equipped to perform surgical procedures or emergency services due to limited resources and staffing. If your pet requires surgery or emergency care please seek off-base assistance.

Our clinic can perform annual exams, vaccinations, health certificates, microchip implantations and general care for your pet.

If you have SOFA status, you are **required to register** your pet with this veterinary facility. Your pet is also **required to be current on vaccinations and to have a microchip**. This applies to pets living both on and off-base. Please remember to register any pets that you adopt during your time in Japan. Please contact us for further information on these requirements.

Be aware that Japanese law requires **annual rabies vaccinations** for all pets. Please keep your pet current on their vaccinations.

Please call or stop by if you have any questions.

Welcome to Sasebo!

Off-Base Veterinary Clinics

Please visit our Facebook Page for an up-to-date list of off-base veterinarians with hours of operation and maps.

Ikeda Veterinary Clinic

Phone Number: 0956-28-4045

Hours: M-T-F-S-Sun 0900-1145 and 1530-1730 and W 0900-1145

Closed Thursdays and national holidays

Note: Clinic is located near OK home store and LaLa shopping center. No Website

Address: 1002-37 Hino-cho, Sasebo City

Directions: Go toward the OK home store and take a left at the light. The LaLa shopping center will be on your right-hand side. Do down four lights. Turn left at the 4th light. Go over the bridge and you will see a coke machine ahead on your right. Turn left at the coke machine. Then take an immediate left. The vet clinic will be on the left-hand side. You will see a blue and green sign on the vet clinic building.

Hamaguchi Veterinary Clinic

Phone Number: 0956-25-9914

Hours: M-F 0900-1200 and 1500-1830 Saturdays 0900-1200 and 1500-1730

Closed Sunday and national holidays

Note: Walk-ins welcome

Address: 10-8 Kamishimachō, Sasebo-shi, Nagasaki-ken 857-0067

Directions: Go up the hill by officer housing. At the top of that hill, you will come to a light. Take a left at that light. Go through 3 lights. After the 3rd light, the road will curve to the right. On the right-hand side of that curve, you will see a chain-link-fence around a parking lot. You will also see a large teal colored sign with an arrow pointing into the vet clinic. The parking lot of the vet clinic has paintings of dogs and cats.

Website: <http://www.hamaguchi-vet.com/>

Miwa Veterinary Clinic

Phone Number: 0956-38-9555

Hours: M-F 0900-1230 and 1600-1900

Sat 0900-1230 (Closed Sundays and national holidays)

Notes: Located in the Haiki area

Address: 1101-22 Goniyoji-cho, Sasebo City

Directions: Pass the Home Wide Store on the left-hand side. Go straight; pass the Lawson store on the left. The vet clinic is on the left before the next light.

Website: <http://www.gonzyouzi-animal-clinic.co.jp/index.html>

Matsuo Veterinary Clinic

Phone Number: 0956-42-1881

Hours: M-T-TH-F-Sat 0900-1200 and 1500-1900

Sun 0900-1200 and 1300-163 (closed national holidays)

Address: 11-8 Katsutomi-Cho, Sasebo City

Directions: From the Ginza, take a right on the 35 and head toward the big green bridge with the stairways running up each side. Take a left there. Follow the road and you will see a furniture store call LIM on your left. Pass this and keep following the road. On your right-hand side you will see a green canopy with a very short driveway. This is the vet clinic. The name of the clinic is on the outside.

Kaize Veterinary Clinic

Phone Number: 0956-40-7667

Hours: M-T-TH-F 0900-1200 and 1500-1900

Wednesday 0900-1130

Sat 0900-1200 and 1530-1730

Sundays closed

Address: 1307-4 Yoshioka-Cho, Sasebo City

Website: <http://kaize-ah.com/index.html>

Emergency Clinic

There is an emergency clinic in Fukuoka

Name: Fukuoka Yakan Kyukyu Doubutsu Byouin (福岡夜間救急動物病院)

Hours: 2100-0500 everyday

Address:

5 Chome-2-40 Tsukiguma Hakata Ward, Fukuoka, Fukuoka Prefecture 812-0858 Japan

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Phone Number: 092-504-8999

Website: <http://www.pet99.net/>

Notes: Please make a phone call before coming to the hospital. They will perform examination and treatment of illness of the first aid at night time that your animal hospital is closed. They will not go to medical examination except first aid basically. They do not perform vaccination such as vaccines. Hospitalization is limited to the owner's presence during the consultation time. Please be sure to visit your animal hospital the next day. Treatment and protection of animals without an owner are at the responsibility of the person brought. CT examination, MRI examination, radiotherapy cannot be performed. When you come to the hospital, please bring any medicines you are taking, test data, etc.*** Night examination fee of 8,000 yen (excluding tax), in addition to an inspection fee, and treatment fee will be charged separately. Payment is by cash, credit card or debit card***

Heartworm Disease: heartworms are large worms that live in the hearts of dogs. While the disease is more common in dogs, cats can also be affected by heartworm disease. Heartworms are transmitted by mosquitoes, causing all dogs (and cats that go outdoors) to be exposed to the disease. The infection can be life-threatening, and treatment can be expensive, painful, and time consuming. To prevent heartworm disease, we recommend all dogs (and cats who go outdoors) to be on a monthly heartworm prevention. **Prevention is affordable and is given in a treat form once a month.** Dogs require an initial heartworm test to ensure they have not been infected prior to starting the prevention, and then annual tests thereafter.

Heat Stress: summers in Sasebo are very hot and humid, and dogs can be at a high risk for heat injury from July through September. Risk factors for heat injury include age (very young and older dogs), breed (dogs with short noses, such as bulldogs, pugs, and boxers), and conditioning (overweight dogs, dogs not acclimated to high temperatures). To reduce the risk of heat injury, always provide fresh water to your pet. Provide shady areas in your yard to seek shelter, and do not leave your pet unattended in the yard during the hot summer days. Avoid exercising during the hot times of day and be cautious with the pavement temperature when walking your dog. Additionally, NEVER leave your pet unattended in a vehicle.

Venomous Snakes: *Mamushi snakes* are pit vipers with venom similar to water moccasins and rattle snakes from the United States. They are typically 1-3 feet long with a pale gray, reddish brown, or yellow brown background color with large, darker, irregularly shaped blotches along its length. It can be found in swamps, marshes, meadows, woodlands, and rocky areas. *Yamakagushi snakes* are dark green with black and bright orange markings and are usually 2-3 feet long. This snake frequently flees larger predators and bites are uncommon.

Insects: fleas and ticks are common in Japan and may be a significant issue for your pet depending on their lifestyle. Giant centipedes (*mukade*) can grow up to 20 cm long. Their stings can cause intense pain and swelling but are not life threatening unless there is an underlying allergy.

Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLV) and Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) (cats): these are viral diseases which are transmitted through contact with other cats, typically through fighting. Cats can be infected without showing clinical signs for months to years. Indoor cats have little exposure to these viruses, however cats that go outside have a higher exposure due to the high prevalence of the viruses in stray populations. For indoor cats, we recommend testing for FeLV/FIV once in their life, typically during kitten vaccines, to make sure they were not infected by their mothers. For indoor/outdoor cats, we recommend testing for FeLV/FIV annually and vaccinating for FeLV.

Pets and Emergency Evacuation from Japan – Critical Information

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- People always have priority – animals will not displace a person
- All SOFA personnel are required by their respective installation housing policies to have their pet microchipped.
- Abandoning a domestic pet on any USFJ installation or anywhere else in Japan is prohibited and is subject to UCMJ.
- For evacuation purposes, pets are defined as domestic dogs and cats only. All other large animals or pets such as fish, birds, ferrets, rodents, reptiles, amphibians, or spiders will not be evacuated and arrangements will need to be made prior to an evacuation order.
- Only 2 pets will be evacuated per service member.
- Pets owned by unaccompanied military service members remaining in Japan, or personnel who have more than 2 pets, must have a Pet Care Plan in the event that their pet(s) must be evacuated. The Pet Care Plan is a willful agreement between two parties to transfer ownership of a pet, special power of attorney, or the arrangement of a third party to ship a pet from Japan to a designated guardian.
- Pets may be temporarily housed during personnel processing at Assembly Points, Evacuation Control Centers, or Safe Havens and evacuated when time, space, and resources permit.
- Every attempt will be made to ensure pets will be evacuated with their owners, however if a separate evacuation is required for pets, the units in charge of evacuation will ensure feeding/watering/walking after owners' departure.

PRE-EVACUATION CHECKLIST:

- 1) EACH pet must have its own hard airline carrier that meets International Air Transport Association (IATA) standards. The carrier must be large enough for them to stand up with head fully up and ears erect, turn around and lay down. Pets cannot be combined into one carrier.
- 2) Emergency Evacuation Plan Binder
 - a. Rabies Certificate (DD2208) – 2 copies signed in blue
 - b. Veterinary Health Certificate (DD2209 or APHIS Form 7001) – 2 copies, prefilled out and without the veterinary signature
 - c. FAVN – original and current (valid for only 2 years from date of blood draw)
 - i. NOTE: The FAVN is required for you to return your animal to Japan without without quarantine time. The FAVN is only valid if the pet has not lapsed on its rabies vaccination.
 - d. Immunization record
 - e. Animal Evacuation Card – 2 pre-filled out cards (next page)
- 3) 10 days of food and medications in waterproof containers or Ziploc bags.
- 4) Bowls for food and water that do not spill easily.
- 5) Well-fitting collar/harness with ID tag and a good leash. Retractable leashes are NOT recommended due to safety concerns.
- 6) Small plastic bags for feces disposal. Cat owners need a 10-day supply of litter and a small compact container with lid for litter storage that can fit in the cat kennel to prevent spillage when not in use by the pet in the carrier.

ACTIONS TO TAKE DURING AN EVACUATION:

- Keep control of your pet at all times! Owners/Guardians will implement appropriate measures to prevent their pet from running at large while being exercised. Dogs will not be walked by children that are not capable of controlling the animal. Owners are required to provide all care to their pets during all phases of evacuation (walking, feeding, clean-up, etc.).
- Do not feed your pet for 2-4 hours prior to travel, but continue to give water.
- Place 1 copy of the Rabies Certificate, Health Certificate, and Animal Evacuation Card in a waterproof bag attached to the kennel and keep all other copies with your carry-on documents.

Animal Evacuation Card

OWNER NAME (LAST, FIRST)

PET NAME

MICROCHIP NUMBER

NTS NUMBER

SPECIES

BREED

COLOR

GENDER

OWNER EMAIL ADDRESS

JAPAN CONTACT PHONE NUMBER

US CONTACT PHONE NUMBER

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