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## Pet Policy

***It is the expectation of the organization that all tenants with pets will be responsible owners.***

**Responsible ownership** entails all elements of cleanliness, hygiene, property size, animal size, disturbance to others etc and include the following;

- All animals will be required to be housed outside of the dwelling.
- The animal/s shall be housed correctly and their environment shall be maintained in a clean and hygienic manner.
- The animal/s will be appropriate to the size of the property. For example, it is unreasonable to expect that a large dog, such as a Rottweiler, can be suitably accommodated in the yard of a two bedroom unit.
- All pets must be kept within the by-laws regarding pet ownership of the Local Government Area where the leased property is located.
- The number of animals allowable within any given household will be determined by the above by-laws, keeping in mind property size etc.
- Disputes which arise will be handled in accordance with Homes Out West's Dispute Resolution Policy, outlines in 2.6 of the Homes Out West Policy and Procedure Manual. If the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of all parties then the matter shall be referred to the Residential Tenancies Tribunal for arbitration.