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1. Animals, Reptiles and Birds (Domestic Pets)

- 1.1 The KwaDukuza Municipal by-laws relating to pets must be complied with where applicable (i.e. licensing/rabies, inoculations, etc.)
 - 1.2 Prior to bringing any pet onto the Estate, and when a pet is replaced, the following conditions must be met. No pet is to be brought onto the Estate unless all Palm Lakes Homeowners Associations' (PLHOA) requirements have been met and permission has been granted in writing by PLHOA.
 - 1.2.1 Written permission must be obtained from the Palm Lakes Homeowners Association by completing the Estate's prescribed application form available from the PLHOA Administration. Permission is granted solely at the discretion of PLHOA.
 - 1.2.2 A total of two pets (dogs and/or cats) are permitted per household, (i.e. two dogs or two cats or one of each).
 - 1.2.3 All cats and dogs must be spayed or neutered. A veterinary certificate of compliance must be produced along with the application form – no breeding of any pets is permitted on the Estate.
 - 1.2.4 All cats and dogs and any other pet (where possible) must at all times wear a collar with a name tag indicating the owner's Erf No, name and contact telephone number. In addition, cats are required to wear a bell on their collar.
 - 1.2.5 Caged birds will be allowed subject to not more than two birds. (Written permission is still required). Avaries are not permitted.
 - 1.2.6 Pigeons, peacocks, wild animals, and livestock are not allowed to be kept on the Estate; prior permission for any other type of pet must be obtained from Palm Lakes Homeowners Association in writing. Special conditions may apply to the keeping of pets, if granted.
 - 1.2.7 Dogs must be kept in adequately contained area within the owner's property and, when outside the owner's property, must at all times be on a short leash under the control of a responsible person.
 - 1.2.8 When considering a dog or dogs, owners need to bear in mind the size of their properties and regulations regarding the maximum area of fencing allowed by the Estate.
 - 1.2.9 Fouling by pets on property belonging to the Estate, or to other home owners, must be removed immediately by the responsible pet owner. (For this purpose owners are advised to carry a scoop or plastic bags whenever walking their pets outside their own property or purchase marking flags from the PLHOA offices and place a collection is required).
 - 1.2.10 A special request for the keeping of any pet, other than a dog or cat, may be made to PLHOA
 - 1.3 No pets are allowed to become a nuisance or cause a disturbance or annoyance to other home owners or residents through barking, howling, squawking, etc. or, in the case of cats, straying into other persons' properties or houses.
 - 1.4 Any animal, bird or reptile present on the Estate in contravention of these rules shall be removed forthwith on notice of the PLHOA. Any costs incurred will be for the account of the pet/property owner and a fine may be imposed by PLHOA.
 - 1.4.1 The owner of any pet found to have been responsible for injuring or threatening any humans or wild life on the Estate will be held accountable for any costs or claims arising there from, and the owner will be obliged to remove such pet from the Estate immediately on instructions from PLHOA.
 - 1.4.2 The PLHOA reserves the right to ban any breed of dog considered to be a threat or a danger to persons or wild life.
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- 1.4.3 Pitbulls, Rottweilers, Boerboels, and Doberman Pinchers are not permitted on the Estate.
- 1.5 Pets may not be left overnight unattended in a residence, and suitable arrangements of engaging a friend or pet sitter must be made, alternatively the pets must be taken to a kennel off the Estate.
- 1.5.1 The PLHOA reserves the right to call the SPCA to inspect the condition of any pet on the Estate and both PLHOA and SPCA staff will be given access to property and homes to do such inspections.
- 1.6 Any pet found out of its owner's property not on a leash and without a collar and name tag, will be taken to the security office or PLHOA office and may be taken to the SPCA if the owner is not identified. A fine will be payable to PLHOA and any SPCA costs will be payable by the owner and any fine will be deemed to form part of the owners levy account. Any subsequent offence will attract a further fine. In addition to a further fine, the pet owner may be instructed to remove the pet for the third or subsequent offence.
- 1.6.1 If any dog with a collar and name tag is found out of its owner's property not on a short leash, a fine will be levied against the owner by PLHOA. Any subsequent offences of the same nature will attract a further fine payable to PLHOA.
- 1.7 Under no circumstances are dogs permitted to chase or bark at the water fowl, birds or any other wild life.
- 1.8 In view of the sensitive nature of the environmental areas that accommodate natural wildlife, no dogs or other pets are permitted in the natural coastal forest unless on a leash and under the control of the owner.
- 1.9 Visitors are not permitted to bring any pet onto the Estate, unless they have complied with the rules governing pets through obtaining prior written permission from the PLHOA on the same basis as that of permanent residents.
- 1.10 The PLHOA reserves the right to insist that the owner of the pet that becomes a nuisance or, if any of the above rules are not adhered to, immediately remove the offending pet from the Estate at the owners cost.
- 1.11 It should be noted that Sectional Title developments (Body Corporates) may, in their own rules, ban the keeping of dogs, cats or other pets within their Body Corporate area. They may not allow more than the number permitted by the PLHOA or have rules that are less onerous than those of the PLHOA.
- 1.12 The PLHOA retains the right to ask owners/residents to produce veterinary certificates, and proof of registration with the PLHOA in respect of any pets found on their premises.
- 1.13 The PLHOA has the right to impose a fine on any owner who is in contravention of these rules. Further fines may be imposed until the contravention is remedied.
- 1.14 Certain Erfs have been designated as "NO PETS" sites. It is recognized that there may be individual circumstances where this requirement may be relaxed, subject to the additional specific written consent of the immediate neighbours.
- 1.14.1 An application for a pet on a property designated as a "NO PET" site must, in addition to the application, obtain the written consent of neighbours who are also on "NO PET" sites, as well as written permission from the Environmental Committee and PLHOA.
- 1.15 The PLHOA reserves the right to introduce an electronic ID chip system and to insist that pets have the ID chip implant at the expense of the home owner/resident.
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