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Preparing Pets for Overseas PCS Move: Arrival to Okinawa

There is a mandatory quarantine period for pets arriving to Okinawa. Sofa status members can opt to have their pets quarantined at home for the designated timeframe for their pets. Pets can be quarantined and boarded at Karing Kennels.

Karing Kennels

- There is a late night drop off fee of $25 for all AMC customers and a $50 fee for all customers flying commercially through the Naha airport. If you are arriving on a Wednesday or a holiday, please note there is also a pick-up and drop-off fee.
- Located in Building 4065 near Kadena Gate 3.
- Phone: Mobile (036) 868-2235; Kadena DSN 966-7339; Marine Base DSN 99-03-4580-0135 (Dial 6 - 7339); From U.S. • 1-512-672-7339.
- Email • karingkennels@kadenafss.com.

Veterinary Treatment Facility

- Pet owners must contact the Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF) located at the installation within 72 hours of arrival. The final examination must be conducted within 72 hours from the end of the quarantine period. VTF can be reached by Japanese cell phone at 050-5865-3083, from a U.S phone at 1-512-672-7593 or by email at okinawavetclinic@gmail.com.
- The pet owner is responsible for transporting the animal to and from the VTF and for any expenses incurred.
- Be prepared to seek veterinary care from local civilian veterinarians if necessary. You may obtain a written list of local veterinary clinics from the VTF. We recommend you obtain this list and become familiar with clinics in your area before the need arises.

Fees

- Mandatory pet quarantine fees incurred by U.S. service members in connection with the mandatory quarantine of a household pet are reimbursable not to exceed $550 per PCS move for pets in, or entering into, quarantine. (Ref. JTR, par. 5428.)
- Transportation cost, medical care, grooming, and similar fees for services that are part of routine pet care associated with a PCS are not reimbursable. Boarding costs incurred after the final release date from quarantine are not reimbursable. So for example, if on the day the attending Veterinarian certifies that the pet has completed the quarantine period the service member is not able to take possession of the pet for any reason (i.e., the service member is TDY or pets are not allowed in billeting), the reimbursable amount is set on that date, and all subsequent boarding cost are not reimbursable.
- Documents required to submit to finance include:
  - Boarding receipt for mandatory quarantine dates.
  - MDJ Form 270 with entry date and final release date from quarantine.