

## **BY-LAW XVI**

### **PET BY-LAW**

Ownership of a household pet is a privilege not a right. This privilege, once given, may be withdrawn for cause by a vote of the Board of Directors. Pet owners who fail to bring appropriate attention and diligence to the care of their pets can cause aggravation to other members and interfere with the quiet enjoyment of their homes.

#### **The following rules apply to all members who own household pets:**

1.

All cats and dogs shall be registered immediately upon move-in or obtainment of the pet with the Pet Committee.

2.

There shall be a limit of one (1) cat or one (1) dog per household. In the case where more than one (1) animal is requested, the member shall make such a request (before obtaining the animal in question) in written form to the Pet Committee which will be brought before the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors with the Pet Committee will use their best discretion in approving or disapproving the member's request.

3.

In addition to the limit of one (1) cat or one (1) dog you may also have any of the following pets not to exceed the limits given:

- There shall be a limit of one (1) exotic pet per household. Prohibited Exotics are as follows in accordance with the City of Mississauga By-Law 98-04
- There shall be a limit of two (2) medium sized birds.
- There shall be a limit of two (2) pet rodents.

4.

There shall be a limit of aquarium tank size, which should not exceed 30 Gallons.

Note: (1 gallon= 10 lbs) In the case of an aquarium exceeding 30 gallons a written request must be given to the Pet Committee which will be brought before the Board of Directors before obtainment of the aquarium.

5.

Any member owning a Pit Bull type dog, must adhere to the Ontario Dog Owner's Liability Act (Bill 132), which states that as of August 29, 2005, your Pit Bull type must (by law) be neutered/spayed, muzzled at all times when in public, in control of your dog at all times. Failure to do so will result in legal action and immediate removal of your dog. For a full copy of Bill 132, please see the office.

*Please Note: Tecumseh Co-op does not condone any aggressive dogs.*

6.  
All animals must be licensed with the City of Mississauga and be vaccinated yearly. Proof of vaccinations should be given to the Co-op annually. Copies of City License Registration forms are available from the office. In the case where a vet feels that vaccinations are not necessary, the Pet Committee will accept a note stating that fact. All dogs must be vaccinated against rabies .
7.  
Members are to be in care and control of their pet(s) at an times. Children under the age of 16 years may not be in control of a dog on Tecumseh property without adult supervision. This age restriction meets City of Mississauga regulations. The handler of the dog must be legally responsible for the animal in his/her control.
8.  
All animals are to be photographed and registered with the Pet Committee. A Pet member must take photos.
9.  
Pet Owners shall not permit their pets to create a nuisance or noise inside or outside their residence that will infringe on the quiet enjoyment of any other member. Pet owners shall refrain from allowing their dogs to bark excessively. (Long periods of time)
10.  
Members and their families must respect units with pets. Pets are not to be teased or annoyed causing them to jump and bark at the fences. Please respect all animals living within Tecumseh.
11.  
Members shall keep their pets (dogs and cats) leashed (not to exceed 2 meters) at all times outside of their unit with the exception of the backyard. All pet(s) shall be kept indoors overnight and not allowed to roam free.
12.  
Pet owners shall clean up after their pet(s) at least once a day on their own premises and immediately on common areas or on another member's premises. Patios and garages are not to be used as pet toilet facilities. All cat owners shall provide indoor toilet facilities for their cats. Damage to the property caused by a members pet is the responsibility of the pet owner.
13.  
Any member(s) whose pet accidentally becomes impregnated has 8 weeks to find homes for said animals from the time of their birth. The Pet Committee must be notified in such an event .
14.  
Any member(s) wishing to participate in any animal fostering program must first seek permission from the Pet Committee in writing. There will be no fostering of wildlife on co-op grounds.
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Any member complaining of infringements to the Pet By-Laws or any grievances shall place their complaint in writing addressed to the Pet Committee.

16.

Infringements of the set Pet By-Law shall be reasoned to in the following manner:

- 1st Offense - Written Warning
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense - Fine of \$10.00
- 3rd Offense - Fine of \$25.00
- 4th Offense - Recommended action by the Pet Committee to the Board of Directors - Fine of \$50.00
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Starting with a 3rd complaint, more than one witness to the infraction will be required for further action to occur.

20.

Please be fair with complaints- talk with your neighbor first.

Disclaimer: Please remember any damage done to your unit including the backyard by your pet(s) is your responsibility. Therefore, you are financially responsible for any damage occurred. Each request given to the Pet Committee/Board of Directors will be looked at on an individual basis and on its own merit.

BE IT NOTED: These Pet By-Laws form part of the occupancy Agreement and non-compliance with any section of this By-Law is a violation of the Occupancy Agreement. Failure of a member to pay all fines, causing these fines to become in arrears, and the failure of a member to remove a pet when directed by the Board of Directors will result in the member becoming a "Member Not in Good Standing"

Certified to be a true copy of the By-Law no. XVI of Tecumseh Co-operative Homes Inc., passed by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on the day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005 and confirmed by a two-thirds vote at a meeting of members held on the day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

This By-Law takes the place of or amends all previous By-Laws, policies, resolutions or written agreements that deal with pets of the member.

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PRESIDENT

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CORPORATE SECRETARY