

PET POLICIES

Fairlington Arbor welcomes neighbors who have pets as long as they abide by the Association's rules, available in Section 7, paragraph 6 of the Arbor Bylaws at **Appendix A**. Pet owners must also abide by all animal ownership laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Virginia (<http://j.mp/VA-Animal-Code>) and of Arlington County (<http://j.mp/ArlingtonCounty-Animal-Code>).

Pets Must be on Leashes at all times. Arbor bylaw Section 7, para. 6(a) provides: "No dogs or other pets shall be permitted in any of the public portions of the Arbor, including front porches, public hallways, greens, parking lots, or walkways, unless carried or on a leash." Additionally, Arlington County law also requires all dogs to be on a leash at all times when outside a dwelling unit. Residents are encouraged to contact the management office or Arlington County to report any pets off-leash.

Clean Up After Pets. Arbor bylaw Section 7, para. 6(b) provides: "All residents are expressly responsible for cleaning up after their pets and disposing of all waste appropriately." Pet owners must also ensure their pet does not urinate on the Arbor's bedding plants, flowers, and shrubs.

No Arbor Liability. Arbor bylaw Section 7, para. 6(c) provides: "Arbor owners shall indemnify the Council and hold it harmless against any loss or liability of any kind whatsoever arising from or growing out of the conduct of any pet associated with a resident or guest in the Arbor owner's unit." This bylaw is binding on all Arbor owners, whether residents or landlords.

Remedies for Pet Violations. Arbor by-law Section 7, para. 6(d) provides: "If a dog or other pet becomes obnoxious to other owners by barking or otherwise, the owner of the unit where the pet resides shall correct the problem. If the problem is not corrected, the owner, upon written notice by the Board of Directors, will not be permitted to continue to keep the pet in the Arbor." This provision of the Arbor bylaws is designed to ensure that pet owners, whether tenants or owners, understand that the Arbor community has remedies should a pet owner be habitually irresponsible and fail to abide by the policies governing pet ownership in the Arbor.