

Welcome to the STUTTGART VETERINARY TREATMENT FACILITY

Northern European District Veterinary Command (NEUDVC)

Panzer Kaserne, Building 2996A

Unit 30401, APO, AE, 09107

Ph: 07031-15-2681 (DSN: 431-2681)

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The SVTF is a limited service veterinary clinic that offers surgery, radiology, and routine services. Our primary mission is Food Inspection and Sanitation, medical support for the Military Working Dogs and control of zoonotic (diseases communicable from animal to human). The clinic is not available for emergencies. Please refer to a local off-base veterinarian (see attached listing).

Stuttgart VTF Hours: Monday-Friday: 0800-1500
CLOSED LAST DAY OF THE MONTH FOR INVENTORY.

Requirements:

- **Registration:** All pets in the SMC must be registered at the SVTF. Registration consists of maintaining a current medical record and a valid rabies certificate (for cats and dogs). If vaccines are given to your pet off-base, please bring proof to be added to your record. You will be issued a rabies certificate and tag from the military clinic each year. We only do registrations on Thursday and Friday 0800 - 1500.
- **Vaccinations:** Dogs and cats must be vaccinated one year after the initial rabies vaccine, and then every year or three years (depending on the product used). Bordetella (Kennel Cough) is required for dogs being boarded and is good for six months to one year, depending on the requirements of the kennel you select. These are only the basics of vaccinations see the clinic for a complete list of recommended vaccinations.

Be responsible.

- **Pet Control:** All pets must be leashed or in pet carriers while in the SMC, including while in the SVTF. Pets running loose will be picked up by security police (on base) or the German Polizei (off base) and taken to stray facilities. Loose pets can also be a nuisance, or even dangerous, to others.
- **Pet Waste:** Please be considerate of others and clean up after your pet during walks.
- **Pet Noise:** Be aware that neighbors often maintain different schedules than you. Your pet may be doing things while you are away that is annoying to your neighbors.
- **Remember** that pet ownership in government housing is a privilege and may be revoked if your pet becomes a nuisance or threat to other residents or animals. Only 2 pets are permitted in government housing. Refer to the SMC Housing Regulation for more information.
- **Commercial breeding** of dogs or cats is not endorsed by the military and is prohibited in government housing under AR 40-905 chapter 3 paragraph i. Army VTFs are prohibited from providing medical care in support of breeding.
- **Pet abandonment** is a crime in Germany. If you are unable to find a new home for an unwanted pet, please make arrangements with the local German Tierheim, and you are welcome to post a flyer in the VTF. The American military community has a bad reputation or stereotype concerning pet abandonment, and many tierhiems (animal shelter) discriminate against Americans by not adopting stray animals to Americans because of this reputation. Please do your part to improve this reputation. If you find a new home for your pet with another military member, please pass along your pet's records as well as a letter stating you are signing ownership over to the new owner.

Recommendations:

- **Ticks:** Ticks are common in Germany, and can infest even pets that spend very little time outside. Fleas are only a problem in a rural/farm settings. We recommend dogs and outdoor cats be treated monthly with a flea and tick preventive. (The tick season lasts from about March through November.)

- **Client education handouts** for puppy and kitten training, vaccinations, feline and canine diseases, boarding and grooming facilities, and PCSing can be found at the Stuttgart Vet Clinic.
- **Remember:** The Stuttgart Vet Clinic is NOT an emergency facility, always keep an off-base vet listing.

New VTF Policies affecting DoD and DoDDS Civilians

Beginning July 1, 2009, all veterinary treatment facilities will be treating Department of Defense (DoD) civilian employees and Department of Defense Dependent Schools (DoDDS) civilian employees' pets on a space available, limited access basis as described below:

- Veterinary treatment facilities will restrict access to approved personnel only. Approved personnel are those individuals that are enrolled in the Defense Enrollment / Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) to include Active Duty, Retirees, and Activated Reservist.
- DoD and DoDDS civilians will be allowed to use the veterinary treatment facility for preventative care ONLY, to include vaccinations, health certificates, and parasite control measures with a veterinary technician on a space available basis. This will not include a doctor's visit. If a doctor's appointment is required or requested, the veterinary treatment facility will provide a list of civilian veterinary clinics off-post.
- For current clients who are receiving care from a veterinarian on-post with a prescription for a chronic condition (i.e. pain medications), you will be required to continue your care with an off-post veterinarian.

How to Determine Your Eligibility

Your Common Access Card (CAC) must state "medical" on the back if you are approved to use the VTF. Retirees will be required to show their "retiree" ID that should state "medical".

******"MWR", "Medical on space available basis", and "Medical: direct only when TDY/TAD or stationed overseas on a space available, fully reimbursable basis" on a CAC does not indicate DEERS membership and is subject to the civilian Policies as stated above******

• STUTTGART VETERINARY TREATMENT FACILITY PCSing? Information for airline travel with your pet

Requirements:

1. For stateside travel, make sure your pet's **rabies vaccination certificate** is current. At the time of travel the vaccination must be at least 30 days old, and still be current as noted on the rabies vaccination certificate or pet passport.
2. Obtain a health **certificate**. (valid for only 10 days.) *The doctor will examine your pet, sign your health certificate and you will sign out your pet's records from the clinic. You will need to have an appointment to obtain a health certificate.*
3. Be sure to make arrangements with your **airline** for your pet's travel in advance and have an airline-approved carrier that is the appropriate size for your pet. *Ask the airline for any additional requirements that they may have. (The US Government does not pay pet shipping costs.)*
4. If you are **PCSing to another country**, please check with the vet clinic for specific requirements as soon as possible. (England, Guam, Japan and Hawaii require rabies titer blood testing and approximately 6 months advance notice to qualify for no or reduced quarantine times.)
5. Below are some tips to keep your pet as **safe and comfortable** as possible for the trip:
 - Call the airline you are flying on and make a reservation for your pet. Call as early as possible as many airlines do not ship animals or they have a limit on the number of animals on each flight.
 - Book a direct flight if at all possible.
 - Make an appointment at your veterinarian for a check up. Tell him/her that you are planning to take your pet to Germany via air.
 - Obtain a health certificate from your veterinarian dated no earlier than 10 days before departure.
 - Start crate training your pet - if it has not already been trained. If your pet has not already been trained. If your pet has never been in a crate before, buy the crate and leave it sitting in your living or bedroom for a couple of days. When the pet is comfortable, start encouraging him/her to

go inside by putting treats inside the crate. Never force a pet into a crate - you will create a fear of the crate in your pet. Gradually increase the time you leave your pet in the crate each consecutive day, until you have reached an 8 hour day.

- Feed your pet a light meal 6 hours before flight time, and exercise it before putting him in the crate.
- If you are traveling in hot weather, book a night flight, Your pet may not travel with you, if the temperatures are too extreme.
- Purchase a USDA-approved shipping crate. It should be large enough so that your pet can stand, sit and change position comfortably. For international flights, it is also required that the crate have breathing holes in the rear of the crate.
- Insure the words "LIVE ANIMAL" printed on the carrier with arrows indicating the upright position of the carrier.
- Line the bottom with some type of bedding to absorb accidents.
- Freeze water in a plastic water cup and attach inside the carrier, it will melt by the time your pet is thirsty, but not spill with the handling of the crate. Or purchase a "hamster" type water bottle - but you have to make sure that you train your animal to drink from this type of apparatus.
- Get your pet accustomed to the carrier. Also, putting a piece of clothing with the scent of a family member will comfort your pet during the flight.
- Do not place a lock on the carrier, so that the airline personnel can open the carrier in an emergency.
- For trips longer than 12 hours, attach a plastic bag containing dry food on the top of the carrier with feeding instructions for airline personnel.

6. Shipping pets aboard military chartered aircraft

- Pet shipment aboard Air Force Air Mobility Command (AMC) charter flights is not an entitlement, but a privilege limited to charter passengers in a permanent-change-of-station (PCS) status. The reservation limit is two pets per family. Additional pets may be shipped on a space available basis. Requests for space available shipment of pets should be submitted through the transportation office no sooner than 15 days prior to the flight. Furthermore, "pets" means dogs and cats only, not gerbils, rabbits, birds, snakes, fish, etc.
- The weight limit for AMC pet shipments is 150 pounds (per pet), including the cage or shipping container. A fee of \$90.00 will be charged to ship a pet and kennel weighing up to 70 pounds aboard a charter flight, and double that for pets weighing 71 to 150 pounds. Shipping containers must be approved by the International Air Transport Association and be large enough for normal body movements and for the pet to stand up, turn

around and lie down comfortably. A small pet can travel in the charter aircraft cabin with special permission from AMC, but it must be in a hard-shell kennel not exceeding 20 by 16 by 8 inches.

- People who need a waiver because of the number, type and weight of their pets can call AMC at 1-800-851-3144 or DSN 779-7881, fax a request to (618) 229-7876 or DSN 779-7876 or email petwaivers@scott.af.mil.
7. For checklists with more information for PCSing to various countries visit the European Region Veterinary Command (ERV) website at: <http://www.healthcare.hqusaureur.army.mil/ervc/default.htm>

Things to think about:

- **Tip:** Expect your pet to soil his/her carrier. Be prepared for a quick clean up after the flight and a bath when you reach your destination. Be sure there is plenty of bedding in the carrier (things like towels, old t-shirts, blankets, *not* straw, hay, or cedar chips) to absorb any wetness. Adding a litter box for cats only adds to the mess and is not necessary. Give your pet plenty of time to relieve him/herself before you leave your house that morning.
- **Remember:** Your cat or dog can go for a long time without eating or drinking anything. (This is not true for pocket pets or patients with certain illnesses. Follow the doctor's specific recommendations in those cases.) Since most stateside flights leave Germany in the late morning, your pet's food can be pulled the evening before travel. *Give your pet free access to water right up until you leave for hydration.*
- **Tranquilizers** are generally *not* recommended for pets traveling by air. Unsafe physiological changes can occur with tranquilizers that can harm your pet. However, if you have concerns, please speak to the doctor at the time of your health certificate visit.
- **Be Responsible:** Pet abandonment is a violation of USAREUR Regulation and German Law.

STUTTGART VETERINARY TREATMENT FACILITY

LOCAL NATIONAL PET CARE RESOURCES:

THE FOLLOWING LISTINGS DO NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT!

Veterinarians (English-Speaking):

Note: The SVTF is not a 24-hour emergency clinic. We strongly recommend that SMC pet owners identify a local veterinarian and keep his or her number readily available in case of an emergency. THIS IS NOT A COMPLETE LIST OF CIVILIAN VETERINARIANS, FOR A MORE COMPLETE LIST CHECK A CIVILIAN PHONE BOOK UNDER TIERARTZ FOR THE NEAREST VET IN YOUR AREA.

NEAR KELLEY BARRACKS

DR. SPATH
REMBRANDTSTR 15
MOEHRINGEN
0711-712-434

DR. GEIGER
FELDERHAUPTSTR 59C
PLIENINGEN
0711-457-0204

DR. KORN
BOBLINGERSTR 3/1
LEINFELDEN-
ECHTERDINGEN.(MUSBERG)
0711-754-4725

NEAR PATCH AND PANZER

DR. SPATH
SEE ABOVE

DR. SCHOTT
WILHELM-HASPELSTR 19
SINDLEFINGEN
07031-87-64-69

DR. ZOLKE
GOETHESTR 5
EHNINGEN
07034-65-42-65

DR. ESSIG
WOLDBOLDSTR 5
SINDLEFINGEN
07031-814-361

DR. HABEL-POLLMANN
JAHNSTR. 51
BOEBLINGEN
07031-23-62-26

DRS. SCHUBE and RUPP
DAIMLERSTRASSE 13
HERRENBERG
07032-929-200

DR. DAUNER
HINTERWEILERSTR 58
SINDLEFINGEN
07031-80-70-90

DR. REIBEL
BERLINERSTR 7-9
SCHOENAICH 71101
07031-65-39-65

NEAR ROBINSON BARRACKS

DR. SINZINGER
HASENBERGSTRASSE #80,
STUTTGART
0711-637 380

DR. CHRISTIANSON
CARLHEINRICH-KAFERTESTR 2
LUDWIGSBURG
07141-86888

DR. WEINMANN
KOLLWITZSTR 10
KORNWESTHEIM
07154-5822

DR. ERNST
BIRKENWALDSTR 214
STUTTGART NEAR MESSE
0711-256-6409

DR. STRAUB
OSCHELBRONNER WEG 34
BONDORF
07457-93910

DR. ROSCHKE
GRIEGRSTR 27C
BOTNANG
0711-690-813

DR. GROSS
SACHSENSTR 9A
ZUFFENHAUSEN
0711-870-2626

DR. JANNES
BLUMENSTR 20
LUDWIGSBURG
07141-928-881

DR. SCHNEIDER-HAISS
Karl-Heinrich-Kaferlestrasse #2
Ludwigsburg-Ossweil
0714186888
www.tierklinik-ludwigsburg.de
SEES EMERGENCY PATIENTS AND
PERFORMS MAJOR SURGERIES

Emergency Veterinarians

The following veterinarians are known to see emergency cases and/or see more specialized cases.

DR. SINZINGER

HASENBERGSTRASSE #80,
STUTTGART
0711-637 380

Directions from Patch Barracks:

1. Leaving the main gate
- 2 Turn **right** at **Hauptstraße** 0.4 km
3. Turn **hard right** into the entry ramp to **A831/Stuttgart**-0.2 km
4. Merge into **B14/U22** -3.5 km
5. Continue toward **Wildparkstraße**-0.5 km
6. Continue on **Wildparkstraße**-1.2 km
7. Continue on **Rotenwaldstraße** - 3.6 km
8. Continue on **Rotebühlstraße** - 0.3 km
9. Turn **left** at **Schwabstraße** 0.8 km
10. Turn **right** at **Forststraße** - 81 meters
11. Turn **right** at **Hasenbergstraße** - 41 meter

Total 6.4 miles

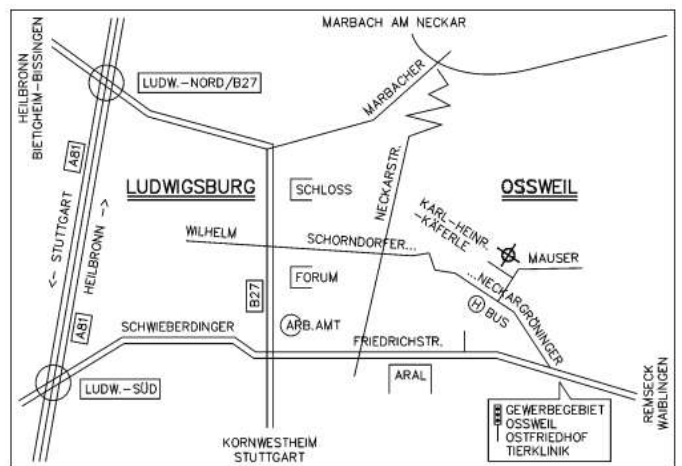


DR. SCHNEIDER-HAISS

Karl-Heinrich-Käferlestrasse #2
Ludwigsburg-Ossweil
0714-186888

1. Leaving Patch Main Gate turn right onto **Hauptstrasse**-**0.5 km**
2. Turn **hard right** into the entry ramp to **A831/Stuttgart** **0.2km**
3. Merge into **B14/U22** - **3.5 km**
4. Take the **B14** exit - **0.3 km**
5. Bear **right** onto the **B14** ramp -**0.1 km**
6. Continue on **B14** -**5.1 km**
7. Continue on **Hauptstätter Straße**- **0.8 km**
8. Bear **left** at **Hauptstätter Straße** -**0.3 km**
9. Bear **left** at **Charlottenplatz** -**39 meters**
10. Bear **left** at **Planie** **0.4 km**
11. Take the **B27** ramp -**0.4 km**

12. Continue on **Friedrichstraße** -**3.3 km**
 13. Bear **left** at **Heilbronner Straße/Schwäbische Dichterstraße** -**2.4 km**
 14. Continue on **B10/B27**- **1.3 km**
 15. Continue on **B27** - **6.4 km**
 16. Continue on **Stuttgarter Straße/Schwäbische Dichterstraße** -**1.0km**
 17. Bear **right** onto the **Stuttgarter Straße** ramp- **0.3 km**
 18. Turn **right** at **Schorndorfer Straße**- **1.7 km**
 19. Continue on **Friesenstraße** -**0.7 km**
 20. Turn **right** at **Westfalenstraße** -**0.5 km**
 21. Bear **right** at **Neckargröninger Straße** -**0.2 km**
 22. Turn **left** at **Mauserstraße** -**79 meters**
 23. Turn **left** at **Karl-Heinrich-Käferle-Straße** -**85 meters**
- Total 29.8 km**



DR. SPATH

REMBRANDTSTR 15
MOEHRINGEN
0711-712-434

1. Leaving Patch Main Gate
 2. Turn **right** at **Hauptstraße**- **2.0 km**
 3. Continue on **Möhringer Landstraße**- **1.0 km**
 4. At the traffic circle, take the **2nd** exit onto **Möhringer Landstraße** -**0.4 km**
 5. Continue on **Vaihinger Straße**- **1.5 km**
 6. Turn **right** at **Rembrandtstraße**- **8 meters**
- Total 4.9 km**



DACHSWALD KLINIK
INDUSTRIESTRASSE 3
 70565 VAIHINGEN am COLORADOPLATZ
 0711 679 670

- OPEN 24 HRS PLEASE CONTACT PRIOR TO ARRIVAL
1. Leaving Patch Main Gate
 2. Turn **right** at **Hauptstraße** 0.9 miles
 3. Turn **RIGHT** onto **ROBERT-4 KOCH-STRASSE** 0.1 miles
 4. Turn **LEFT** onto **VOLLMOELLERSTRASSE** 0.1 miles

5. **VOLLMOELLERSTRASSE** becomes **FILDERHOFSTRASSE** 0.2 miles
 6. Turn **RIGHT** onto **RUPPMANNSTRASSE** 0.1 miles
 7. Turn **RIGHT** to stay on **RUPPMANNSTRASSE** 0.2 miles
 8. Turn **RIGHT** onto **INDUSTRIESTRASSE** <0.1 miles
 9. End at **Industriestrasse 3** (Look for signs for Tierarzt)
 10. Located in tall white office building in the back. 5 parking spots by office located closer to the street.
- Total 2.06 miles



PLEASE NOTE: Weekend Emergencies alternate between clinics. Please call 0711-765-7477 to find out which clinic is operating for that particular weekend.

Canine Physiotherapy
 Dr. Kirsten Haeusler
 Hauptstaetterstr. 3
 70178 Stuttgart
 0711-605-435

Offers: underwatertreatmill/aqua therapy, therapeutic ultrasound, Massage, electric stimulation, therapeutic exercise.

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LOCAL NATIONAL PET CARE RESOURCES:

THE FOLLOWING LISTINGS DO NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT!

Boarding Facilities:

Dr. Spath

Rembrandt Str 15, Moehringen.

Phone: 0711-712434

Boards small animals on a space available basis.

Speaks fluent English.

Care Royal Tierschloss Hotel (English Speaking)

Schlosspark Str 33

Markgroeningen-Unterriexingen

07147-5555.

0174-160-1006: Mobile

0172-3708-028: Mobile #2

Boards dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, etc.

WWW.CARE-ROYAL.DE

Boblingen Tierheim

07031-25010

Animal shelter that also boards animals. Not recommended for cats due to communal type rooms.

Speaks English

Barbara Schlossen

Gechingen (near Herrenberg)

Cell# 0172-88 66 44 8

Farm that boards for small or large dogs with open area to run.

Speaks fluent English.

Dog Holiday (Speaks Fluent English)

Gutenbergstrasse 1

Echterdingen

0711-794 44 57

Cell: 0172-7244465

WWW.DOGONHOLIDAY.DE

Hunde Hotel Haase

Oschweg 5

72108 Rottenburg/Bad Niedernau

Phone: 07 47 2/76 97

Fax: 07 47 2/44 16 24

English speaking, Dogs Only

WWW.HUNDEHOTELHAASE.DE

Tierpension Erlenhof

Lorch

07172-5889

0160-781-9198 mobile

English Speaking

Tierbetreuung Schoenbuch Owner: Kerstin Bock

Boeblingen and Surrounding Areas (English Speaking)

Dog & Cat Sitting, Dog Walking Service

WWW.TIERBETREUUNG-SCHOENBUCH.DE

Hundepension

Feldbach area.

Phone: 0711-551652,

Handy: 0172-8466692

Alexander Nohl-speaks English

WWW.HUNDEPENSIONWUFF.DE

Julia's Cat Hotel Owner: Sicrid Ruckaberle

Im Neusatz 2-1 74354 Besigheim

07143-60081 (English Speaking)

Boards cats. Adult cats must be spayed or neutered & up to date on vaccinations. Reservation required. Quarantine avail. for emergencies.

WWW.CATHOTEL@WEBERPC.DE

(7,50euro/day)

Rex Kennels (Takes dogs & cats) Fluent English

Tiergarten Str

69121 Heidelberg

06221-412490 Ask for Robert Helfrich

WWW.HUNDESERVICEHELFRICH.DE

(Also offers obedience classes)

Grooming

Anja's Hundesalon

Diepoldstr 12
Filderstadt
0711-7970410
Grooms dogs.
Speaks English

Rex Kennels

Tiergarten Str
69121 Heidelberg
06221-412490
Grooms dogs.
Ask for Robert Helfrich

Hundeladen and Salon

Calwer Str 32
71034 Boeblingen
07031-764999
Grooms dogs
Speaks English
Ask for Sabine Binder

Vaihingen Hundesalon

Haldenacher Str. 30
Rohr (near Vaihingen)
0711-748618
Grooms dogs
Mon-Thurs 0800-1600
Owner: Christine Horner

Bello Mio Hundesalon

Rosenstr. 6
71101 Shoenaich
07031-428-2884
www.bello-mio.de
Owner: Viola Gruenewald

Obedience Training:

Silke Harrington

Heumaden 11
70329 Hedelfingen
(Stuttgart area)
Obedience training,
holistic & natural
medicine
Phone: 0711-4414369

Claudia Diederich

Bretwasenring 38
Dettenhausen (toward
Tubingen)
07157-535047

Hundesportverein

Deufringer 7
71116 Gaertringen
07034-251190 (only on
practice days).
www.hsv-gaertringen.de
A club that does training
and canine sports

Melinda Capuano

Filderhauptstr. 103C
70599 Pleiningen
0711-948-2080
Basic/Advanced
Training and
Handler Training

Pet Shipping:

Pet Air, Frankfurt
069690-71915/71916

Grandlyn Internat'l Pet
Shipping, Frankfurt
69690-50081

S.E.I Shipping: out of
Stuttgart Airport
Mr Bloomentrat
0711-948-2080

Pet Stores:

Fressnapf

Hanns-Klemm-Str 19
71034 Boeblingen
07031-223437

Doll's Zoo Market

Merkurstr. #31,
Heidelberg
0631-3506600

Kolle Zoo

Schwieberdinger
Strasse 230
70435 Stuttgart
Zuffenhausen
0711/98 09 98 - 0
<http://www.koelle-zoo.de/>
Large pet store with many
exotic animals, and dog and
cat supplies.



Fressnapf,

Dennisstr. #30,
Heidelberg
0631-98168/98169

DOG WALKING PARKS

Please be considerate of others when using this area by picking up after your pet.

PATCH BARRACKS DOG PARK (Off Leash Area)

Located by the movie theater.

KELLEY BARRACKS DOG PARK (Off Leash Area)

Located on Pine Strasse. Enter the main gate and continue past the AAFES gas station.

After passing the Vesta Strasse the dog walk area is 500 feet on the right (green enclosed fence area).

PANZER KASERNE DOG PARK (Off Leash Area)

Located in the housing area from the corner of the housing area closest to the main gate for Panzer Kaserne go down the fenceline approximately 50 yards and the off-leash area is located on the border fence in this area.

Stray Facilities and Pet Adoption Information:

Tierheim

The Germans are very particular about adopting animals out from the tierheim. Be prepared to be scrutinized by the tierheim staff prior to a successful adoption. Many Americans have reported difficulty adopting from tierheimes. Americans that have had success adopting from Tierheimes have had a German friend or spouse assist them with the process.

Tierheim Stuttgart
Furtwanglerstr. 150
0711-656-7740

Tierheim Esslingen
An der Dieter Roser brucke
0711-31-17-33

Tierheim Tailfingen
07432-7533

Tierheim Pforzheim
0Hinter der Warte 37
07231-52098

Tierheim Ulm
Orlingertalweg 210
0731-65906

Tierheim Schorndorf
Hegnauhofweg
07181-66007

Tierheim Ludwigsburg
Kugelberg 20
07141-250410 or 251145

Tierheim Freudenstadt
Am Erlenweg
07441-3331

Tierheim Goppingen
Am Odewald
07161-78969

Tierheim Reutlingen
Im Stetter 3
07121-49-22-10

Tierheim Tubingen
Aeschach 1
07071-31831

Tierheim Backnang
Erlacher Hohe
07193-6585

Tierheim Boblingen
Herrenberger Str 204
07031-25010

Other Resources Include:

- ♣ STARS AND STRIPES NEWSPAPER: CLASSIFIED SECTION
- ♣ STUTTGART COMMUNITY POST:
- ♣ BULLETIN BOARDS – COMMISSARY, THRIFT STORES, VET CLINICS

Veterinary Services Europe

European Region Veterinary Command

Restriction on dangerous dog breeds in Germany



American Pit Bull Terrier



American Staffordshire Terrier



Bull Terrier



Staffordshire Bull Terrier

As of April 12, 2001, the importation of four dog breeds – American Pit Bull Terrier, American Staffordshire Terrier, Bull Terrier, Staffordshire Bull Terrier – and crosses of these breeds are prohibited in Germany. U.S. personnel who own one of the above breeds cannot bring their pets with them if they PCS to Germany. This ban applies to all US personnel PCSing to Germany. England, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Turkey also have restrictions on various breeds. Personnel who try to bring one of the banned breeds into the country can be fined or imprisoned. The prohibited dog will be confiscated and may be euthanized.

Several other breeds are considered potentially dangerous. These breeds may be subject to certain restrictions, such as:

- (a) Written evaluation of the dog's temperament
- (b) Written proof of the owner's competence to handle the dog
- (c) Written results of a Provost Marshal's record check documenting "personal reliability"
- (d) Written proof of liability insurance, valid in Germany

Additional information is available @ www.germany-info.org/relaunch/info/consular_services/customs/dogs.html

If you have questions after reviewing the above web site, contact your local military VTF.



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
NORTHERN EUROPE DISTRICT VETERINARY COMMAND
STUTT GART VETERINARY BRANCH
UNIT 30401
APO AE 09107

MCVS-EUN-ST

17 November 2008

MEMORANDUM FOR Stuttgart Veterinary Treatment Facility Clients

SUBJECT: Stuttgart Veterinary Treatment Facility Policy Letter

1. VTF ACCESS

a. Due to military commitments and limited resources, veterinary service may not always be available when you need it.

b. Only persons with a valid U.S. Armed Forces Identification Card with medical facility privileges are eligible for veterinary services at the Stuttgart Veterinary Treatment Facility (SVTF). Beneficiaries must be enrolled in DEERS. Reservists must be on active duty orders for more than 30 days.

c. In accordance with AR 40-905 Chapter 3 Section 3-4, paragraph i, veterinary services will not be provided in support of any commercial operation raising animals (pets or livestock) for profit. This includes pet breeding.

2. REGISTRATION AND RECORDS

a. All animals must be registered in our recordkeeping system. Registration consists of a current medical record and valid rabies certificate if applicable. Any medical care received off base, to include vaccinations must be included in the record in order to maintain current pet registration. Please bring copies of off base records to add.

b. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure that the pet's vaccinations and medical status are kept current.

c. Transfer of ownership. To transfer ownership of a pet, a change of ownership letter is required, and must include the name and SSN of the previous and new owner(s), and be signed by the previous owner. Until a transferred pet is registered under the new owner's name, the previous owner remains legally and financially responsible for all costs associated with the pet.

d. Owners are responsible for the transfer of their pet's medical records during a PCS, ETS, or change of ownership. The sponsor/owner may sign out records.

e. If a pet is not seen for an appointment for two consecutive years, the pet's record will be placed on inactive status. After three years of inactivity, the record is purged.

f. Pet abandonment is a crime in Germany. Any animals apprehended by the U.S. law enforcement or the German Polizei will be surrendered to the local animal shelter (Tierheim) for adoption.

3. APPOINTMENTS

a. Pets are seen on an appointment basis only. Please arrive at least 10 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time to allow time for check-in.

b. Payment is due upon completion of services. We accept only cash and checks as payment. The DOD requires we charge a \$2.00 user fee on every transaction, including retail purchases. (AR40-905)

c. All pets must be on a leash or in a carrier.

4. CHILDREN IN THE FACILITY

- a. We strongly discourage service members and clients from bringing children under the age of 12 years to the Stuttgart VTF due to the high number of potential hazards to their health and welfare in a clinical setting.
- b. Do not leave unsupervised children in the parking lot.

5. NO SHOW POLICY

a. Due to our high caseload and limited appointment availability, it is essential that you cancel appointments you cannot keep. Failure to do so deprives others of needed appointment time.

b. Failure to show for an appointment, unless canceled at least 24 hours in advance, will result in the client being counted as a “NO SHOW.”

c. Arrival for a scheduled appointment more than 15 minutes late will also constitute a “NO SHOW.” If you are running late, please call ahead to let us know, in which case we will make every effort to accommodate you.

d. Two “NO SHOW” appointments to see either a doctor or technician will result in a letter to the sponsor via his or her commander. A Third “NO SHOW” will result in suspension of VTF privileges for 6 months.

e. Failure to show for a surgery appointment will automatically result in suspension of VTF privileges for 6 months.

6. PRESCRIPTIONS/MEDICATIONS

a. In accordance with federal law, prescription medications will not be dispensed without a valid veterinarian-client-patient relationship (VCPR). This requires that the pet be seen at the SVTF within the past 12 months and have a current medical record.

b. Refills for prescription medications require at least 24 hours notice. With any less than 24 hours notice, we may not be able to refill a prescription. Please call in all prescription refills at least one week before running out of a medication to ensure its availability.

c. Heartworm preventive for animals over 6 months of age will only be dispensed with written proof of a negative heartworm test performed within the preceding 12 months.

7. EMERGENCY VETERINARY CARE

a. We do not provide emergency veterinary care.

b. We **STONGLY** recommend that you identify a local German Veterinarian near your home that provides emergency care, and keep his or her contact information handy for use in an emergency.

c. We maintain a list of off-base veterinarians who speak English; this will be provided to you upon registration.

8. POC is the undersigned at DSN 431-2652.

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