

Welcome to the Kaiserslautern Veterinary Treatment Facility

51st Medical Detachment

Unit 23152

APO, AE, 09227

The Kaiserslautern VTF is located on Pulaski Barracks (Bldg 2928). The Kaiserslautern VTF is a full-service veterinary referral hospital and offers surgery, X-ray, and ultrasound along with routine services. **The clinic is not available for emergencies.** Please refer to the attached list for off-base veterinarians in the area. Boarding and Grooming Facilities are also listed.

The Kaiserslautern VTF hours are:

Monday-Friday: 0730-1600

Ph: 0631-536-7592/7068 (DSN:489-7592/7068)

Requirements:

- **Registration:** All pets in the KMC must be registered at the K-town clinic. Registration consists of maintaining a current medical record and a valid rabies certificate (for cat 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.
- **Vaccinations:** Dogs and cats must be vaccinated yearly (The German government does not recognize 3-year rabies vaccines.). Bordetella (Kennel Cough) is required for dogs being boarded and is good for one year.
- **Be responsible.**
 - **Pet Control:** All pets must be leashed or in pet carriers while in the KMC, including while in the military vet clinics. 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 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 residence or animals. Only 2 pets are permitted in government housing. Refer to the KMC Housing Reg. for more information.
- **Commercial breeding** of dogs or cats is not endorsed by the military and is prohibited in government housing.
- **Pet abandonment** is prohibited per military regulation and is a crime in Germany. If you are unable to find a new home for an unwanted pet, please make arrangements with the K-town Stray Facility. **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:

- **Fleas and Ticks:** Ticks are a common occurrence in Germany, even when your pet spends very little time outside. Fleas are only a problem if you live in a rural/farm setting. We recommend dogs and outdoor cats be treated monthly with a flea and tick preventative (The tick season lasts from about March through November.).

Local Pet Information

PCSing? Info for airline travel with your pet

Requirements:

- For stateside travel, make sure your pet's **rabies vaccination certificate** is current. (At least 30 days old, but not more than 1 year old.)
- Obtain a **health certificate**. (They are 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.*
- Be sure to make arrangements with the **airlines** 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 they may have.* (The U.S. Government does not pay pet shipping costs.)
- 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 reduced quarantine times.)

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. Pull their water the morning you leave.
- **Tranquilizers** are generally not recommended for pets traveling by air. Dangerous physiological changes occur with tranquilizers that can do more harm than good. 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.

Inclusion on this list is not an endorsement by this unit nor does it imply anything about the quality of care or service provided.

Local Veterinarians:

Birkenfeld:

- Dr. Kock and associates, 06782-1213, small animals, 24hr emergency (0160-7114440)

Hassloch:

- Drs. Xaver & Barbel Rosch, 06324-989498, small animals, 24hr emergency (0171-7918281)

Kaiserslautern:

- Dr. Barth, 06301-5552, small animals and birds (pocket pets), emergency
- Drs. Kristen & Michael Haberle, 0631-39177, small animals & horses by appointment, emergency (0172-6819808)
- Dr. Rahimi, 0631-93451, small animals, exotics, & birds, emergency

Kusel:

- Dr. Luft, 06381-2004, dogs & cats, emergency (0171-5367777)

Landstuhl:

- Drs. Delorme & Goldberg, 06371-914314, small animals, exotics, 24hr emergency (0171-9303179)
- Dr. Knapp-Schilling, 06371-3300, small animals, emergency
- Drs. Kirsten & Siegfried Schulz, 06371-2223, all animals, emergency

Ramstein-Miesenbach:

- Drs. Michelberger & Korner, 06371-70040, small animals, emergency

Trier:

- Drs. Kornberg, Elmer & Schanen, 0651-938660, small animals, emergency

Zweibrucken:

- Dr. Meisel-Gehl, 06332-48180, small animals, birds, reptiles, 24hr emergency

Boarding Facilities:

- Rainbow Farm Kennel, Landstuhl, 06371-914619, cats and dogs (Peter)
- Hoffman Kennel, Kaiserslautern, 0631-45448, cats and dogs
- Heidi Müller, Kaiserslautern, 0631-95680, home boarding for cats
- The Farm Kennel, Bruchmühlbach-Miesau, 06372-8070
- K-9 Kennel, Sembach, 06302-2624, dogs
- Grandlyn Kennel, Frankfurt, 069-690-50081/50061, cats and dogs
- Berghof Kennel, Mittelbrunn, 0172-103 8547, dogs and cats, long and short term boarding (Elke)
- Marian Paque, Ramstein-Miesenbach, 06371-952384

Grooming Facilities:

- Rainbow Farm, Landstuhl, 06371-12980 (book early)
- The Farm Kennel, Bruchmühlbach-Miesau, 06372-8070
- Margret's Hund Salon, Bruchmühlbach, 06372-62034

Pet Shipping:

- Grandlyn International Pet Shipping, Frankfurt, 069-690-50081
- Pet Air, Frankfurt, 069-690-71915/71916

Pet Stores:

- Tina's Zooladen, Bruchwiesenstr. #54, Landstuhl, 06371-3645
- Doll's Zoo Market, Merkurstr. #31, Kaiserslautern, 0631-350 6600
- Fressnapf, Dennisstr.#30, Kaiserslautern, 0631-98168/98169

Dog Obedience:

- Heieck Dog School, Kindsbach, 06374-3226
- Liberty Bells Dog School, Rod and Gun Club on Vogelweh, 0631-357-9703

Stray Facilities:

- Kaiserslautern Stray Facility, Pulaski Barracks, DSN:489-6588, 0631-536-6588
website: www.kmcstrays.com
- German Tierheim Animal Shelter, Einsiedlerhof, 0631-350 3667