

# Pets

If you have any questions about the following information, please call Housing on 0141 342 1810 or email [hello@key.org.uk](mailto:hello@key.org.uk)



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We understand the benefits of owning a pet and these guidelines go through our policy on applying and caring for a pet in your home.

## Applying for a pet

Before applying for a pet, discuss it with your Housing Officer. You require permission for each new pet in your Key house.

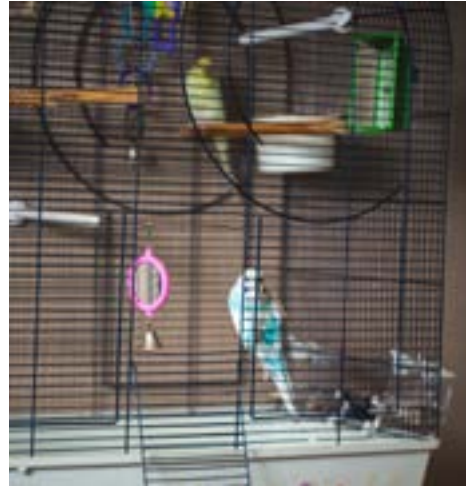
When considering a pet application we look at:

- 1 The number of pets you already have in the house
- 2 The number of pets in the Key development
- 3 The type of pet you apply for
- 4 Your history as a pet owner.

We will always give serious consideration to a new tenant who already has a pet.

### **We will always give consent for assistance dogs.**

You will need to show that you know how to meet the care and welfare needs of the pet including having a suitable place for them to live, for example a rabbit hutch.



## Suitable Pets

We consider the following animals to be domestic pets:

- Fish
- Small caged birds/ small mammals
- Non-venomous caged reptiles or spiders (maximum of 2)
- Dogs (maximum of 1)
- Cats (maximum of 1)
- Rabbits or guinea pigs but only if you have a private garden.

**We will consider any requests for animals not listed above on an individual basis.**

### **We will not consider applications for the following:**

- **Dogs listed on the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991**
- **Livestock, such as chickens, pigs, ferrets**
- **Endangered species**
- **Animals on the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976.**

# Caring for a pet

We have laid out some general guidelines for pet owners in our properties.

## All Pets

- Feed and exercise pets in the recommended way.
- They should not be of any nuisance to neighbours (E.g. excessive noise or being unsupervised outside the home).
- If possible, neuter pets to prevent breeding.
- Pets must not be used for commercial breeding purposes.
- Where possible, micro chip your pet to help identification.
- Pets should not be left unattended overnight or for long periods of time.

## Dogs

- Dogs should wear a collar and name tag.
- Please do not let them use communal gardens for their toilet habits.

## Small Mammals

- Rats, mice, gerbils and hamsters must have a suitable place to live in. Your Housing Officer may visit to check.
- Rabbits and guinea pigs should not be kept inside your home. They must have a secure enclosure outdoors. This must be in a garden space you have sole use of.



We will not tolerate cruelty to any pet. If we become aware of any such situation we may, after investigation, ask that the pet is removed from the property. If necessary, we will involve officers of the SSPCA.

**If you would like to discuss a pet application please call 0141 342 1810 or complete the form on the back page and return to address given.**

# Pet Application

To apply for a pet, please complete this form and return to:  
Key Housing, The Square, 70 Renton Street, Glasgow G4 0HT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Number of existing pets \_\_\_\_\_

I/We would like permission to keep a \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type and breed required above)

I/We understand Key's policy on pets and agree to follow the rules set out in it.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## To be completed by Housing Officer

Application received \_\_\_\_\_

Decision made \_\_\_\_\_

Further details \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Copy sent to tenant  Yes  No

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Key Housing, 70 Renton Street, Glasgow G4 0HT Telephone: 0141 342 1890

Email: [hello@key.org.uk](mailto:hello@key.org.uk) [www.key.org.uk/key-housing](http://www.key.org.uk/key-housing)

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