



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 51ST FIGHTER WING (PACAF)
UNIT 2067
APO AREA PACIFIC 96278-2067**

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL OSAN AIR BASE PERSONNEL

FROM: 51 FW/CC

SUBJECT: Area V Policy for Registration and Microchipping of Privately-Owned Animals

References: (a) USFK Command Policy Letter #49, Microchip Program for Privately-Owned Animals, 13 Feb 07
(b) USFK Regulation 40-5, Pet Control and Veterinary Services for Domestic Pets, 21 Jun 07
(c) 51 FWI 48-110, Pet ownership, Animal Control, and Zoonotic Disease Prevention

1. An effective pet microchip program is essential to maintaining the health of Osan Air Base personnel and their pets, in reuniting separated pets with their owners, and to facilitate tracking of pets during a Non-Combatant Evacuation Operation (NEO).
2. All SOFA status personnel are required to register each domestic pet in their possession at the 51 FW Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF) within 10-duty days of arrival at Osan Air Base, or within 10-duty days of acquiring a domestic pet. All pets, excluding small caged animals such as hamsters, gerbils, or rabbits, will be micro-chipped for a small nominal fee as part of the registration process. Microchipping must be accomplished within 10-days of arrival or acquisition of the pet. Pet registration is required and will be enforced prior to receiving non-emergent veterinary care.
3. Pet owners should notify the VTF in instances of loss, death, or changes in possession of domestic pets within 10-duty days and are required to out-process the VTF prior to pcs. Additionally, pets owners are required to have a signed statement from the 51 FW VTC certifying microchipping of their pet and displaying the chip-number to be included in the NEO packet.
4. My POC for this requirement is the 51 FW Public Health Officer who can be contacted at 784-4494.

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Attachment:
Osan Air Base Veterinary Treatment Facility's Policy Letter