

## Request to keep a pet on residential premises

Under the *Residential Tenancy Act 1997*, tenants must use this approved form to request permission from the owner of residential premise (or the owner's agent) to keep a pet at that premises. (For the purposes of this document, the term property owner/agent also refers to social housing providers.)

This form contains 3 sections:

- Sections 1 and 2 must be completed by the tenant/s requesting to keep a pet at the residential premises. Once completed, tenants give the form to the property owner or agent.
- A tenant must request permission before introducing a pet, and a pet cannot be kept at the property until written consent is granted (unless the animal is exempt, such as a guide dog or assistance animal).
- The property owner or agent must respond within 14 days of being given this request.
- Upon receipt of this form, if the property owner/property agent refuses consent for the tenant/s to keep the pet/s specified in the request, they must complete section 3 of this form and provide the tenant/s with a copy of this form, including reasons for refusal, and apply to the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal (TASCAT) within 14 days of receiving the request. The Tribunal will determine if refusal is reasonable.
- If the property owner or agent consents to the tenant/s request, the consent must be in writing.
- If reasonable conditions are imposed, both the property owner and tenant need to agree on the conditions. If no agreement can be reached, this is taken to be a refusal and the property owner must apply to TASCAT.
- If more than two tenants wish to request to keep a pet, or if tenant/s are requesting more than two pets at the premises, please use additional forms

**If the property owner/ property agent does not respond to the tenant/s and make an application to TASCAT within 14 days, the property owner is taken to have consented to the request.**

## Section 1 – Tenancy information (tenant/s to complete)

### Tenancy address

Address of residential premises:

Suburb:

Postcode:

### Tenant/s seeking approval to keep a pet/s

Tenant 1 name:

Phone:

Email:

Tenant 2 name:

Phone:

Email:

Owner of residential premise/property agent receiving this application:

## Section 2: Tenancy pet request

### Pet 1 information

Type of animal

Breed (if applicable)

Registration number (if applicable)

Microchip number (if applicable)

Sex

Age

Size / Approximate weight

You may choose to provide additional information about your pet, such as name, temperament, training or whether it will be kept indoors or outdoors etc.

Is the pet classified as a dangerous dog or restricted breed under the *Dog Control Act 2000*?

Yes  No

If Yes, does the property have an enclosure that complies with the requirements of the *Dog Control Act 2000*?

Yes  No

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\*Section 32 of the *Dog Control Act 2000* requires dangerous dogs be kept in an appropriate enclosure as set out in the Dog Control Regulations 2021. For more information about keeping dangerous dogs, please contact your local council.

## Pet 2 information

Type of animal

Breed (if applicable)

Registration number (if applicable)

Microchip number (if applicable)

Sex

Age

Size / Approximate weight

You may choose to provide additional information about your pet, such as name, temperament, training or whether it will be kept indoors or outdoors etc.

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## Tenant declaration

I am/We are requesting to keep the above pet/s at the above residential premises. I/We declare that all information above is true and correct.

- I/We understand that:

A tenant of residential premises –

(a) is to keep the premises in a reasonable state of cleanliness having regard to the condition of the premises at the beginning of the tenancy; and

(b) at the end of the tenancy, is to leave the premises as nearly as possible in the same condition, apart from reasonable wear and tear –

(i) as set out in the condition report, or

(ii) if there is no condition report, as the premises were at the start of the tenancy.

Tenant 1 name:

Tenant 2 name:

Signature:

Signature:

Date:

Date:

### Section 3: Application decision (property owner/property agent to complete)

#### Pet 1 Decision

Consent to pet specified in request being kept

Consent to pet specified in request being kept with conditions (agreed by both parties):

Specify the conditions:

#### Refusal reason where application to TASCAT is not required (tick applicable)

Pet is a dangerous dog within the meaning of the *Dog Control Act 2000*

#### Refusal reason where application to TASCAT is required (tick applicable)

By-laws made by a body corporate under section 90 of the *Strata Titles Act 1998* restrict or prevent the keeping of a pet

By-laws made under Part 11 of *Local Government Act 1993* restrict or prevent the keeping of a pet

The provisions of any other Act that restricts or prevents the keeping of a pet

Other reason/further information:

## Pet 2 Decision

Consent to pet specified in request being kept:

Consent to pet specified in request being kept with conditions (agreed by both parties):

Specify the conditions:

### Refusal reason where application to TASCAT is not required (tick applicable)

Pet is a dangerous dog within the meaning of the *Dog Control Act 2000*

### Refusal reason where application is required (tick applicable)

By-laws made by a body corporate under section 90 of the *Strata Titles Act 1998* restrict or prevent the keeping of a pet

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The provisions of any other Act that restricts or prevents the keeping of a pet

Other reason/further information:

## Property owner/property agent declaration

I understand the tenant/s named on this form are requesting my consent to keep a pet/s.

If I/we refuse consent for the tenant/s to keep the pet/s specified in the request, I/we must complete section 3 of this form and provide the tenant/s with a copy of this form, including reasons for refusal and make an application to the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal (TASCAT) within 14 days of being given the request.

If I/we do not respond to the request and fail to make an application to TASCAT within 14 days, I am/we are taken to have consented to the request.

Signature:

Date: