

PET POLICY

Pets make our lives better in so many ways. For many, pets are part of our family and **Sisters on the Fly** (SOTF) acknowledges this. We also recognize and respect that many members do not have a pet or pets.

An event hostess determines if pets are allowed or not allowed at her event. All hostesses are potentially liable for any pet related incident. Every member/hostess must adhere to this policy. The **SOTF Pet Policy** does not apply to American with Disabilities Act (ADA) service animals. It does apply to emotional support and therapy animals which are not covered under the ADA.

In all other cases the following policy applies:

1. A **"No Pets Allowed"** event excludes **any** pets. If you arrive with a pet, you will be asked to board your pet(s) or leave the **"No Pets Allowed"** event.
2. Pets may not enter **eating/meal areas or any activity gathering area** (including campfires, crafts, Happy Hours, etc.). **Any activity hosted by the Hostess is considered a gathering regardless if the event description lists the activity or not.** Pets shall not enter any other area designated a **"no-pet area"** by the hostess.
3. When a hostess designates her event as **"pets allowed"**, every attendee bringing a pet **must** notifying the hostess when registering for the event in the registration field when you sign up. If you register for the event as not bringing a pet and subsequently decide to bring a pet, it is your responsibility to notify the hostess of the change. An attendee is limited to bringing two pets to an event.
4. There is no restriction on pet size; however, pet owners are responsible for maintaining control of their pets at all times. Please ensure your pet wears an identification collar and is restrained on a standard leash, except when in designated fenced pet walking areas.
5. The pet(s) shall be **properly licensed** and **inoculated** as required by local, county or state statute, ordinance or health code.
6. Sister pet owners will comply with the event venue's pet policy (no exceptions). Any sister who does not follow a venue's pet policy will be asked to board her pet or leave the event.
7. Sister pet owners are liable for injuries to a member(s) or dog(s) and property damages resulting from actions of their pet (please consider Animal Liability Insurance).
8. Sister pet owners shall provide the hostess the name and address of a caretaker who will assume responsibility for the care of their pet(s) should the Sister pet owner experiences an emergency that prohibits her direct care of the pet.
9. A Sister pet owner shall keep the event premises and surrounding environments clean and free of pet odors, insect infestation, feces and urine. Waste and litter shall be immediately removed in the case of an accident.
10. A Sister pet owner shall exercise proper control of the pet to prevent the pet from becoming a nuisance to any other person and shall not leave the pet unattended in a building/trailer/tent/vehicle for an unreasonable amount of time.
11. Pets of **vicious or dangerous disposition** shall not be permitted. Any pet duly determined to constitute under state or local law as a nuisance or threat may be required to be immediately removed.
12. A Sister pet owner is responsible for the proper care, feeding and watering of the pet. The Hostess may contact the appropriate state or local authority to remove and care for pets that are not properly cared for.
13. Failure to observe the **SOTF Pet Policy** will result in probation or membership removal.

For the purpose of this policy, pets refer to any reasonable domesticated animal such as dogs, cats, rabbits, birds, etc.