

PET POLICY & AGREEMENT

We know it is difficult to leave your beloved pet at home when you go away for any length of time. Mishewah has established some guidelines for those that are unable to make other arrangements for your pet.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION

A Family pet is permitted on the grounds subject to the following regulations:

1. All pets on the grounds must be registered with the Mishewah office. By reading this policy you agree to abide by the camp rules for pets.
2. ECM reserves the right to limit the number of pets per site. Pets are not allowed in the Lakeside Suites or Lodge.
3. In most cases, failure to comply with these regulations will result in a verbal warning, followed by a written warning if the issue continues. If the issue is not resolved, the owner may be asked to remove the animal from the campgrounds immediately. If the owner leaves camp and does not return during the camp session, there will be no refund of the registration or camping fees, as per ECM's refund policy.
4. Pets are not allowed in the water at the main beach or family camp beach because our local Health Regulations stipulate that pets may not enter the water at a public beach. Also, there are usually many people at the waterfront, including small children, so pets must be kept on a short leash if they are at the beach with you. Pets may enter the water in the area between the boat docks and canoe racks, or at the mouth of the creek. Please see the office for more information.
5. Owners are responsible to "stoop and scoop" and properly dispose of waste in the proper garbage receptacles.
6. Excessive barking or other noise will not be tolerated. If excessive noise continues, at the discretion of the Managing Directors, owners may be asked to remove their pet.
7. Pets must be kept under control at all times and on a leash (max 2 meters). Under no circumstances should pets be allowed to wander freely.
8. Pets should never be left unattended.
9. We have a zero-tolerance policy on aggressive behaviour by any pet (biting, excessive lunging, barking, etc.). If aggressive behaviour is verified, the owner will be asked to remove the animal immediately.
10. With respect to dogs as outlined in the [Ontario Dog Owners Liability Act](#) (R.S.O. 1990, c. D.16), owners are solely responsible for the actions of their dog and are financially responsible for any damage caused either to ECM property or any other private property and for any personal injuries caused by their dog. Also note that pit bulls, which are prohibited or restricted by the act, are not allowed on the campground.

"pit bull" includes,

- (a) a pit bull terrier,*
- (b) a Staffordshire bull terrier,*
- (c) an American Staffordshire terrier,*
- (d) an American pit bull terrier,*



(e) a dog that has an appearance and physical characteristics that are substantially similar to those of dogs referred to in any of clauses (a) to (d); (“pit-bull”)

11. Complaints from other campers will be taken seriously and investigated.
12. Dogs that are certified as Guide Dogs or Service Dogs to persons with disabilities are exempt from the restrictions identified in this policy, but owners are required to register their dog with the camp office.
13. **Immunization is required**, and all pets must be current with immunizations, and the animal’s last rabies immunization was administered at least 30 days before it was brought into the camp. Proof must be filed with us as per the Health Protection and Promotion Act. Rabies tags are to be placed on the pet’s collar.

Immunization Against Rabies

(RRO 1990, Reg. 567, Under the *Health Protection and Promotion Act, RSO 1990, c. H.7*)

5. (1) The owner or person having custody and responsibility for the care of an animal that has been immunized or re-immunized against rabies shall receive an immunization certificate from the veterinarian who carried out the immunization or who authorized the delegate to proceed with the immunization. Reg. of Ont. 346/91, art. 1; Reg. of Ont. 67/23, para. 2 (1).

(2) In the case of a cat, dog or ferret, the veterinarian who immunized it or who authorized the delegate to immunize it also provides the owner or person having custody and responsibility for the care of the animal an anti-rabies identification tag. Reg. of Ont. 346/91, art. 1; Reg. of Ont. 497/17, art. 2; Reg. of Ont. 67/23, para. 2 (2).

6. The veterinarian who carried out the immunization or who authorized the delegate to carry out the immunization signs an immunization certificate indicating:

- (a) the name and address of the owner or person having custody or responsibility for the care of the animal;
- (b) the species, breed, color, sex, age and name of the animal;
- (c) the markings worn by the animal, if applicable;
- (d) the microchip number, tattoo number or, where applicable, other permanent means of identification of the animal;
- e) the approximate size of the animal;
- f) the address of the clinic or any other place where the animal was immunized;
- g) the first and last names and contact details of the veterinarian who carried out the immunization of the animal;
- (h) the name and serial number of the vaccine;
- i) the reimmunization interval specified in the vaccine monograph;
- j) the date of immunization;
- k) whether it is a primary or booster vaccine;
- l) the deadline for reimmunization of the animal;
- m) the identification number on the anti-rabies plate issued in respect of a cat, a dog or a ferret. Reg. of Ont. 346/91, art. 1; Reg. of Ont. 497/17, art. 3; Reg. of Ont. 67/23, art. 3.

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