



## Rules for Animal Keeping

What does the law say?

Law on Supervision of Dogs and Cats (1943:459):

"Dogs and cats must be kept under such supervision as is necessary, taking into account their nature and other circumstances, to prevent them from causing damage or significant inconvenience."

### **Municipal regulations**

Pet owners are obliged to keep pets under such supervision that no harm or inconvenience befalls neighbors.

It is prohibited to walk dogs unleashed in densely populated areas.

All dog owners are required to pick up after their dogs when walking them.

Rules applicable within the Matrosen Condominium Association

The association's board has supplemented and clarified the above rules.

According to the association's statutes, residents are obliged to follow the rules issued by the board.

### **Dogs**

All municipal regulations must be followed.

Dog excrement on the association's premises constitutes a sanitary nuisance. Loud and persistent barking, especially at night, may also be considered as such.

Anyone seeing unleashed dogs in our area is encouraged to approach the dog owner or someone on the board for further action.

In case of repeated, more serious violations of municipal regulations, members are encouraged to report the dog owner to the police if their identity is known.

### **Cats**

In addition to the municipal basic rule on the requirement for supervision, the following rules apply to cat keeping in the Matrosen Condominium Association.

All cats residing in the Matrosen Condominium Association must wear a collar displaying the home address and telephone number. This facilitates contact with the correct owner and makes it easier to determine if a loose cat comes from another area or perhaps has no owner at all.



Complaints about cats/owners should be addressed to the respective cat owner or to the board.

Anonymous complaints will not be considered by the board.

"Feeding" of loose cats is prohibited. Cat owners usually disapprove of it, and stray cats tend to stay and contribute to further increasing cat-related issues.

The board encourages those who transfer apartments to inform prospective owners of these rules.

### **Snakes and reptiles**

Permission from the environmental authority is required here, which also conducts on-site inspections to verify compliance with requirements for snake and reptile keeping. Snakes and reptiles must under no circumstances be left unattended outdoors in the area.

### **Other animals**

Must be cared for in accordance with the provisions of the Animal Welfare Act.

### **Rules for bird feeding**

Anticimex often receives reports of rats and mice occurring near residential buildings. A contributing factor is that some residents set up bird tables, bird feeders, suet balls, etc. Some of the bird food then ends up on the ground, attracting rats and other pests.

It is therefore prohibited to place any form of feeding stations for birds or to put out bird food within the Matrosen area.

Those who wish to feed the birds are best advised to set up bird tables in the forest outside our residential area.