

Pets

IN YOUR HOME

Having a pet in your home

Housing New Zealand is a pet friendly landlord. We know that pets can be great companions and we want our tenants and their whānau to experience the many benefits of pet ownership.

If you would like a pet, or already have a pet there are a few things you need to know:

What is considered a pet?

- Dogs
- Cats
- Livestock (cows, sheep, horse, pigs, goats) that are kept as pets
- Birds, fish and small animals

Are there any conditions to having a pet?

Just like all New Zealanders you need to comply with the laws that apply to the keeping of pets. For example there might be council by-laws around the keeping of pets or if you live in a complex or apartment rules for keeping pets (including cats).

Don't worry we can check this for you.

For more information on having a pet at your Housing New Zealand home visit our web page

www.hnzc.co.nz.

If you want a pet that is a cat, dog or you live in a rural location and want a livestock animal

Call us on **0800 801 601**

When you call we will also ask you a few questions about your pet.

Why call?

You need to let us know if you already have, or want to get a dog, cat or livestock animal as part of your Tenancy Agreement with us. We will also need to collect some information about your pet.

If you have a dog or livestock animal we'll also ask you to sign a Pet Information Form, and agree to be a great pet owner. Just give us a call and we will get this all sorted for you.

Saying yes

If everything is okay, we will be in contact and let you know you can have a pet at your Housing New Zealand home.

If you don't hear from us, call our Customer Services Centre on **0800 801 601** for an update.

That's it!

Now you can keep your pet. And so long as your pet does not cause a nuisance to your neighbours or harm anyone, there's nothing more you need to do. So enjoy their company, look after them, and it will all be good.