

refundable pet deposit to cover additional costs attributable to the pet and not otherwise covered, or both;

(2) Limitations on the number of animals in a unit, based on unit size;

(3) Prohibitions on types of animals that the PHA classifies as dangerous, provided that such classifications are consistent with applicable State and local law, and prohibitions on individual animals, based on certain factors, including the size and weight of animals;

(4) Restrictions or prohibitions based on size and type of building or project, or other relevant conditions;

(5) Registration of the pet with the PHA; and

(6) Requiring pet owners to have their pets spayed or neutered.

(c) *Restriction.* A PHA may not require pet owners to have any pet's vocal chords removed.

(d) *Pet deposit.* A PHA that requires a resident to pay a pet deposit must place the deposit in an account of the type required under applicable State or local law for pet deposits or, if State or local law has no requirements regarding pet deposits, for rental security deposits, if applicable. The PHA shall comply with such applicable law as to retention of the deposit, interest, and return of the deposit or portion thereof to the resident, and any other applicable requirements.

(e) *PHA Plan.* Unless otherwise provided by §903.11 of this chapter, Annual Plans are required to contain information regarding the PHA's pet policies, as described in §903.7(n) of this chapter, beginning with PHA fiscal years that commence on or after January 1, 2001.

**PART 963—PUBLIC HOUSING—
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Subpart A—General

§ 963.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to enhance the economic opportunities of public housing residents by providing public housing agencies with a method of soliciting and contracting with eligible and qualified resident-owned businesses (as defined in this part) for public housing services, supplies, or construction. The contract award method provided by this part is based on the established procurement procedures set forth in 24 CFR 85.36, with solicitation as provided by these procedures limited to resident-owned businesses. The contract award method provided by this part is not a requirement. It is an alternative procurement method available to public housing agencies, subject to the conditions set forth in this part, and subject to permissibility under State and local laws.

§ 963.3 Applicability.

The policies and procedures contained in this part apply to public housing developments that are owned by public housing agencies (PHAs) and that are covered by Annual Contributions Contracts (ACC) with the Department. Public housing contracts eligible to be awarded under the alternative procurement process provided by this part are limited to individual contracts that do not exceed \$1,000,000. Resident-owned businesses eligible to participate in the alternative procurement process are limited to those that meet the eligibility requirements of §963.10. The policies and procedures contained in this part are consistent with the objectives of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u), and similar Federal requirements imposed on public housing programs. (See 24 CFR 941.208(a) and 24 CFR 968.110(a)).

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