



WAGGING LOUNGE DOG RESORT

Policy for Contagious Virus's (Ex: Canine/Kennel Cough, Canine Influenza, Giardia, etc...)

WLDR Contagious Illness Policy: Policies for contagious virus's ex: Canine/Kennel Cough: Your dog's Bordetella vaccine must be up to date. The Bordetella vaccine helps to protect your dog against canine/kennel cough, however, much like the flu vaccine for people, the Bordetella vaccine does not protect them against ALL strains of canine/kennel cough. Canine kennel cough is similar to a cold in people and is just as contagious. Please DO NOT bring your dog in if he/she is coughing or hacking. Dogs can get kennel cough in any area where dogs frequent, the vet, dog parks, dog daycare, dog parks, kennels, pet shops, or your daily walk. If an infected dog has been there, there is a chance that your dog may catch the virus. It's an airborne virus. Coughing in dogs is a unique sound, it sounds similar to them trying to vomit but bringing nothing up as well as an annoying honking sound. There are some over the counter medications that can be effective in making your pup more comfortable while the virus runs its course, AND should be consulted by your veterinarian before pursuing any options. Generally, our beloved pets fight off the equivalent to a common cold in people, quite well, and do not require veterinary attention. Symptoms of a dog developing secondary infections such as bronchitis or pneumonia (the same complications that can develop in people), are lethargy, purulent discharge from the nostrils, vomiting, or fever (normal dog temp is 101 to 102). Symptoms typically show 2-14 days after exposure, but each dog is different. Similar to humans, contraction of the virus after exposure depends on many different factors such as stress level, vaccination status, and the strength of the individual's immune system We know that your pets are important to you and are like family. We treat them as family when they are here so you don't have to worry. We are professionals that take care of lots of pets at once and need to be aware of their safety and welfare. We want to inform and share with you, our Parents, how we handle contagious illnesses because every dog we board is important to us. We do require that all dogs utilizing our services must be free of contagious illnesses. If your pup has symptoms of a contagious illness (coughing, vomiting, diarrhea, eye or nose discharge, fever, viral warts etc.) he/she cannot attend. Please check with your veterinarian regarding the duration of his/her illness and when he/she will no longer be contagious. Much like kids in school or camp, if your pup exhibits any symptoms of contagious illness during their time with us, you will be required to pick your pup up within a reasonable time frame to avoid exposure to our other guests. Overnight dogs must have an emergency contact in the area who can pick your dog up or he/she will be transported to the nearest vet able to quarantine your dog at your expense. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you. We will do everything within our power to keep your pet healthy during their stay with us. We want you to know that we care deeply for each and every guest that comes through our doors and providing the best care possible is our bottom line.

We also believe in a clean and healthy environment for your guests. Our staff go through a rigorous deep cleaning/disinfecting routine twice daily throughout the entire facility in addition to spot cleaning. Our cleaning process and agents ensure a well-maintained and healthy environment for both dogs and humans. Please note that while our facility is constantly cleaned and disinfected, viruses, disease, and bacteria may come in via an infected dog or carrier. Some dogs may carry and not show any unusual symptoms of any infection or disease. All guests that show any signs of symptoms or unusual behavior will be turned away or isolated for immediate pick up. Our goal is to provide a safe and healthy environment in our facility.

I have read the above and will comply with WAGGING LOUNGE DOG RESORT's Contagious Illness Policy.

Owner/Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

Name (Print) _____