Letter 3: Request to keep a pet

Use this to ask your landlord for consent to keep a pet.

LETTER TEXT: REPLACE EVERYTHING IN [BRACKETS]

[Your full name]
[Rental property address]
[Date]

To: [Landlord / Property manager name]

Subject: Request to keep a pet - [Property address]

Dear [Name],

I am writing to request your consent to keep a [dog / cat / other] at the above property.

About my pet:
- Type and breed: [e.g. Labrador, 4 years old]
- Name: [name]
- Desexed and vaccinated: [yes / details]
- Registered / microchipped: [yes / details]

I will keep the property clean, [keep the pet indoors at night / use a crate when out], and arrange for professional cleaning of carpets at the end of the tenancy if needed. I can provide a reference from my previous landlord and a vet letter on request.

Please let me know your decision in writing by [date]. If you have any concerns, I would be happy to discuss them.

Thank you,
[Your name]

Before you send: Rules differ by state. In some states a landlord must not unreasonably refuse and must apply to a tribunal to refuse; in others they need only state a reason. Check the pet rules for your state before you send.

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