

## DIRECTIONS TO THE KENNEL

### From Capitol Hill

North on North Capitol Street for one block past Kennedy Street, then bear right on New Hampshire Avenue. Continue north past the Beltway for 13 miles to our driveway on the right. **Landmark:** The kennel is 2-1/10 miles beyond the traffic light at Route 108 in Ashton.

### From Downtown Washington

Take 16th Street north to Colesville Road (Route 29), go through Silver Spring, past the Beltway and University Blvd. to the second New Hampshire Avenue exit (north) for 12 miles to our kennel sign on the right. The kennel is 2-1/10 miles beyond the traffic light in Ashton at Route 108.

### From Connecticut Avenue

Go north, staying left on Connecticut Avenue through Kensington to Georgia Avenue at Aspen Hill. Turn left and continue north past Route 28 to the light at Old Baltimore Road. Turn right and right again at the first light on Route 108. Go 2-1/2 miles to the light in Ashton at New Hampshire Avenue. Turn left, go 2-1/10 miles to kennel on the right.

### From Georgia Avenue

Go north past the Beltway and Randolph Road to Layhill Road. Turn right. Layhill becomes Ednor Road. Continue on Ednor Road to New Hampshire Avenue and turn left. The kennel is 2-1/10 miles beyond the traffic light in Ashton at Route 108.

### From Rockville and Potomac

Take Norbeck Road (Route 28 East) to Georgia Avenue, and turn left. Turn right at the traffic light at Old Baltimore Road. Turn right again at the first light on Route 108. Go 2-1/2 miles to the light in Ashton at New Hampshire Avenue. Turn left, go 2-1/10 miles to kennel on the right.

### Or

Take Montrose Road, then Randolph Road to Connecticut Avenue. Turn left, then left on Georgia Avenue, and proceed as above.

### From Gaithersburg

Take Midcounty Highway to Woodfield Road which becomes Route 124 and go left to Fieldcrest Road. Turn right and then right again at Route 108. Go to Olney and turn left on Georgia Avenue. Go two stop lights to Goldmine Road and turn right. Go right on New Hampshire Avenue. The kennel is the first driveway on the left, right after the bend.

### From Columbia

Go west on Route 108 for 13 miles to Ashton and turn right on New Hampshire Avenue. Go 2-1/10 miles to kennel on the right.

### From Baltimore

Take I-95 south to Route 32, go west to exit #20, and turn left on Route 108. Continue to Ashton, turn right on New Hampshire Avenue (Route 650), go 2-1/10 miles to kennel on right.

### From Laurel

Go west on Route 198 through Burtonsville to New Hampshire Avenue. Turn right, go about 2 miles to Ashton. The kennel is 2-1/10 miles beyond the traffic light in Ashton (at Route 108) on the right.



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## A SHORT HISTORY

Rivermist Kennels was built in 1969 by the owner, Barry Goodman, who resides on the property. A native Washingtonian, Mr. Goodman has been raising and showing dogs, Cocker Spaniels, Old English Sheepdogs, Labrador Retrievers, and now Gordon Setters, since he was a child. The property was specially selected by Mr. Goodman for its ideal location for the kind of kennel he could not find to house his own dogs while traveling. He has created the type of boarding facility where he could, and does, happily leave his own dogs knowing they will be given the best of care.

## THE FACILITIES

Secluded on the 30-acre property surrounding the lovely farmhouse of Walnut Hill, the dogs are housed at Rivermist in roomy indoor enclosures with controlled access to spacious individual outdoor exercise runs. There are no cages. Indoor quarters are separated from each other by solid masonry walls, so pets can relax without being disturbed by more active neighbors. Similarly, there are solid divider walls between each outside run. The kennel buildings are equipped with electric air purifiers and are fully climate controlled, summer and winter, by seven separate heating and air conditioning systems. Indoor kennels and outdoor runs are cleaned and disinfected twice daily. A very important feature of Rivermist is that for security, all outdoor runs are covered and the entire kennel complex is fenced.

Many dogs, when away from home, derive comfort and enjoyment from the companionship of another dog. If so your pet can be paired with a new friend of similar age, size, temperament and activity level. This is especially beneficial for puppies and very aged dogs.

## EXERCISE

Outdoor exercise and playtime is available to every pet in its own outside run. Additionally, there are optional individual walks available with a staff member. These leashed romps or strolls may be scheduled as many or as few times during the stay as you wish. In October 2005, we opened our spacious half-acre grassy, wooded playground where pets may run and play off-leash, alone or with others, under the supervision of our friendly staff.

## FEEDING

Meals are served once or twice daily, allowing us to accommodate the various feeding routines of each of our canine guests. The regular kennel diet consists of a top grade line of dry food mixed with canned food and warm water. We also stock a selection of alternate foods to tempt a finicky palate or a delicate system. We'll even cook for your pet if that's what is required. These special diets will be accommodated for a nominal charge. Fresh water is constantly available to every pet, indoors and out.

## HEALTH AND MEDICATIONS

Using individual daily behavior charts, every effort is made to maintain each pet's accustomed food intake, and to monitor any changes in weight and health. Medications and treatments are part of many of our visiting pets daily care. Any prescription or instructions from your veterinarian in the form of pills, liquids, injections, ointments or dressings can be administered by our experienced staff. We are not veterinarians, but we are concerned with the well-being of the precious pets in our care. If a problem should arise, we consult one of our vets or yours and promptly take appropriate action. Those charges will be billed to you.

## BATHING AND GROOMING

We have an experienced, skilled and friendly staff of groomers and bathers at Rivermist to beautify your beast as well as provide for its good health and comfort. A bath includes shampoo, brushing out of all mats and tangles, cleaning the ears and clipping the nails. Charges may vary depending on the work involved. Grooming includes bathing and trimming the coat to the breed standard or your specifications. We will NOT shave down your pet unless you ask us to do so. Medicated shampoos and moisturizing treatments are available upon request. The grooming shop is open for daily appointments, too.

## TRANSPORTATION

Monday through Friday, Rivermist Kennels offers an optional service of picking up or delivering your pets for a fee. Although we normally transport pets only to and from your home, arrangements may sometimes be made with your veterinary office to hold or receive your pet if your arrival or departure schedule does not coincide with our office hours. Advance notice for any transportation is required.

## BEDDING AND TOYS

Bedding, dishes and toys are provided by the kennel. Please do not bring these things from home. Since we cannot be responsible for lost articles, anything of value should be left at home; but any item that you feel is necessary to bring should be marked with the pet's name and your last name.

## THE CAT ROOM

Rivermist provides a secure and quiet climate-controlled environment for your cat, apart from the dog kennel and tailored to the special needs of our feline guests. Each kitty is housed in a spacious enclosure and provided with a litter box and a soft bed. The enclosures are cleaned and disinfected daily. Each cat is given a daily turn in a special area where it can jump and climb, run and play. We use the Science Diet line of cat foods.

## AN INVITATION

We are confident that you will find our kennel to be "the finest in country boarding" and we encourage you to see our facilities before boarding your pet, as well as visit other kennels. You are welcome anytime during office hours - no appointment is necessary. Boarding reservations are required and we recommend early notice during summer vacations and the major holidays. A \$75.00 deposit on each dog and a \$35.00 deposit on each cat is required to hold the reservation and there is a 7-day cancellation policy for all reservations. There is a 3-day minimum stay requirement for July 1 to Labor Day weekend and over the Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday seasons.

## OFFICE HOURS

Business Hours are 9-6, Monday through Saturday. Arriving pets should be dropped off by 5pm. Pet pick up after 6pm will incur one additional night boarding charge. The office is closed to the public on Sundays and major holidays.