

## CLIENT HANDOUT TRAVEL CHECKLIST



*Our veterinary team wants you and your pet to have a safe and happy trip, but there is a lot to remember when traveling with your pet. Use this checklist to help you remember what you need to do and what you should be bringing with you. And remember – we’re here to help if you have any questions or concerns!*

### To Do:

- Check with vet:
  - Are vaccines up-to-date? Any additional vaccinations needed?
  - Health certificate (need within 10 days of travel)?
  - Heartworm/flea prevention?
  - Any other medications needed/prescriptions to refill (eg, for prevention of motion sickness) or take along?
  - Identification (microchip, tattoo, other)?
  - Address any other concerns (eg, motion sickness or what to do if pet becomes ill)
- Plan extra time/stops for exercise and potty breaks.
- Check with airline for specific regulations/requirements.
- Check with airports for information about pet exercise/rest areas.
- Check the U.S. State and Territory Animal Import Regulations Web site (car travel) for any relevant requirements.
- List places to stay overnight that will accept pets and/or list boarding facilities.
- Get contact information for local veterinarian at place of destination.
- Make sure there is somewhere for pet to stay or someone to take care of pet at place of destination for times you will be out without your pet.
- If staying at someone’s house, check if there will be any potential problems with the pet staying (eg, allergic children or aggressive animals).

### To Bring:

- Health history form (including your vet’s contact information)
- Proof of rabies vaccination
- Health certificate
- Pet’s regular food, jug of water (for car trip), and bowls
- Pet first-aid kit
- Extra leashes, pet seat belt, and/or carrier/crate for confinement in car and at destination
- Necessary medications, heartworm/flea preventative, and/or written prescriptions
- Recent photograph of pet
- Collar with tags

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