



# ANIMAL RESCUE OF THE ROCKIES

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## TRANSPORT SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Note to fosters & volunteers: If you need supplies for transporting a pet, please let your foster coordinator know before transport occurs.

Crating pets is the safest way to transport them to avoid injuries or escapes. Transporting can be a stressful experience for pets, and even those who are normally calm can panic and escape from a leash or a vehicle. To ensure the safety of our pets as they are being transported or picked up from shelters, the following procedures need to be followed:

1. Each pet must have a collar with an A.R.R. I.D. tag placed on it before leaving a shelter building or when being picked up during a transport. Those of you who transport regularly should keep a supply of collars in your vehicle with A.R.R. I.D. tags already attached.
2. Small pets such as cats and small dogs must be placed in a crate before leaving a building or vehicle and should travel in their crate inside a vehicle. If potty breaks are needed, be sure the pet is securely leashed before allowing it outside the crate. Keep the pet in the crate until it is inside the destination home or building.
3. Larger dogs may be led to a vehicle using two slip leads or an EZ Walk harness. Two slip leads will lessen the chance that the dog can get away if it escapes from one lead.
4. If larger dogs are transported in a vehicle without a crate, secure them in this manner:
  - Tie a knot in the leash and place it on the outside of one window.
  - Roll the window up all the way, thus securing the dog's leash.
  - Now when you open the door, the dog won't be able to jump down and run off.
5. When transporting more than one large dog without crates, secure each dog's leash to a window in this manner, keeping them far enough apart so they can't reach each other to interact inside your vehicle.
6. As soon as possible, get the pet microchipped if it hasn't been already.

Statistics show that 95% of pets who aren't wearing identification are never found after they're lost. We need to make sure the pets in our care are properly identified with both an A.R.R. I.D. tag and a microchip.

A.R.R. receives several calls each month from people who have found a pet wearing an A.R.R. I.D. tag – so it does work! This is the quickest and easiest way for pets to be returned to their foster and adoptive homes.

Thank you for working with us to ensure the safety of all pets in our care!