



Animal Transport Policy

A Heart for Animals, Inc. is committed to the safety of the animals in our care as well as the volunteers that dedicate their time. For this reason, it is necessary for every volunteer, foster home, and/or other transporters to abide by the following rules when traveling with AHFA animals via motor vehicle:

- All Transporters must have a valid Driver's license.
- All Transporters must have proper vehicle insurance.
- All Transporters must be over the age of 21.
- All Transporters must have working heat or working air conditioner in their car according to weather at time of transport.
- Be mindful of vehicle interior temperature – never leave animal(s) unattended in vehicle.
- All Transporters must transfer animal(s) in proper size cage/crate carrier in the vehicle. This carrier needs to be lined with soft bedding for animal.
- Remove all leashes from all animal(s) when they are in their cage/crate in vehicle to/from event.
- All animal(s) must be transported with proper collars, id tags and leashes.
- In the event of an emergency with transported animal(s), AHFA will be contacted immediately and proper medical attention will be sought for animal(s).
- In the event the weather is too extreme (hot, cold, storm, etc.) for animal(s), animal(s) will be removed from event immediately and transported back to the foster home, vet, etc. or a designated safe area.
- Water will be accessible to transported animal(s) if transport is longer than two hours in any direction.
- If transport is longer than three hours in any direction, dog(s) will be taken for 'potty break' in a secure location that is deemed safe by transporter. This area shall be clear of high traffic (cars, trucks, and people) and dogs will remain on leash at all times. A litter box will be provided inside the cage/crate of transported cat(s).
- Food will be accessible to transported animal(s) if transport is longer than four hours in any direction.
- If an animal becomes loose during transport, transporter shall contact AHFA immediately and seek guidance on how to handle situation.

By signing below, I hereby acknowledge that I have read and fully understand this policy. I further understand that these rules are in the best interest of the animals and volunteers. I will abide by all of the conditions stipulated. I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless, A Heart for Animals, Inc., its employees, volunteers and its agents from any and all liability arising out of or in consequence of injury, to myself or others, or damage sustained to my own, or others', property as a result of any activity connected with transporting animals for AHFA. I further acknowledge that AHFA is not responsible for any damage to my, or others' vehicles, that might occur during the transport of animals. The signed policy and all paperwork associated with transporting any animal(s) for AHFA is the sole property of AHFA.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

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AHFA Recipient: _____ Date Received _____