



Dog Moving Day Checklist

1. To keep your dog's stress level down, contact your pet sitter or dog walker well in advance to see if they could take your dog for the day while you are packing up and/or for when the moving van is arriving.
2. Google the bylaw office of city you are moving to and get their information on licensing, hours, etc. You may be able to purchase your dog's license with your credit card (most likely) and have it waiting for you at your new home. This will be one less thing to do at your new location.
3. Google pet sitters, dog walkers, veterinarians, and groomers. Contact them and ask if they are taking new clients, ask about services and references so that you have all your regular pet care services lined up.
4. Stock up on extra dog food, so that if you cannot locate your regular dog food you have enough to transition to a new similar food.
5. Keep enough of your dog's regular things unpacked so he has things to comfort himself with.
6. If you plan to fly your pet or fly with your pet – look into all your options well before you plan to move.
7. If you are moving out of the country, contact that country's local government about rules for pet immigration so you don't get caught with a surprising pet quarantine.
8. Get your dog tattooed and microchipped.
9. Stay calm, as your dog will read your energy and stress and will take it on.
10. Once you get to your new location, if you can, take your dog for a walk before you enter your new home. Make sure all fencing is secure so he does not escape as some dogs can be like homing pigeons and want to return to their last home.