

Preparing for Your Pet Sitter

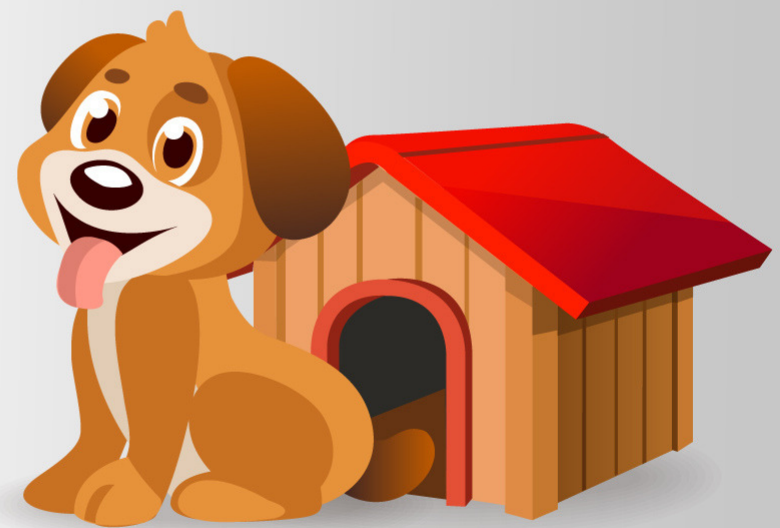
MONTH BEFORE LEAVING

- Put together pet emergency preparedness kit
- Provide an emergency contact (Preferably a neighbor) with an extra key
- Make sure pets ID tags are up-to-date
- Check fences for any holes
- Update information with microchip company



WEEK BEFORE LEAVING

- Make sure your home is pet-proofed for bored pets
- Stock up on pet food, medications, litter and supplies
- Ensure all notes and details are accurate
- Let your veterinarian know you are leaving and you will have a pet sitter
- Update your emergency contacts
- Put interior and exterior lights on a timer
- Inform friendly neighbors that you will be having a pet sitter



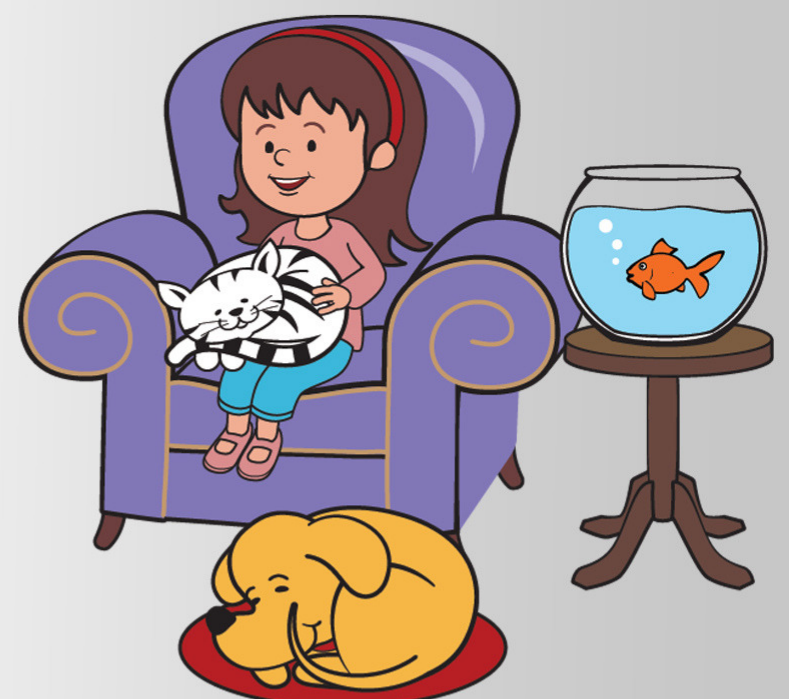
DAY YOU ARE LEAVING

- Make sure exterior doors and windows are closed and locked
- Close off any areas of the house the pets should not access
- Set thermostat at a comfortable level for your pet and sitter
- Check gates are closed and locked
- Put out food and supplies in an accessible and obvious place
- Place medications (in original bottles) in an accessible place not reachable by the pets
- Secure cupboard and storage areas
- Remove candy and nuts from low tables



NOTES FOR YOUR PET SITTER

- Feeding and watering instructions
- Medication instructions
- Veterinary care release and wishes for care
- Emergency veterinary clinic preference
- Rules for your pets
- Pet personality tips and tricks
- Emergency contacts
- Typical pet routine including times and activities
- Any unusual behavior or signs of illness you would be concerned about
- Map of your typical dog walk
- List of any people who may come on your property



Enjoy Your Trip!