

Rescue Road Warriors Transport Checklist

Day Before

- Print run sheet, check your exits and meeting places.
- Charge cell phone & camera (we all love pictures)
- Make sure transport towels/blankets are clean. Washing with some bleach and hot water is recommended for any items that have been in contact with other dogs. Crates should be sanitized with a bleach water solution and then rinsed thoroughly.

It's a good idea to pack your vehicle the day before so that you're not in a hurry and tend to remember more when you're not feeling rushed.

Need to Bring

- Run Sheet/cell phone/camera
- Leashes – both regular and slip leads.
- Spare Collars
- Food or treats (great for coaxing shy or stubborn dogs in crate to crate transfers)
- Water bowl/water bottle
- Empty cleaned sour cream container (for use as a water bowl or to fill with water for cleaning purposes)
- Paper towels
- Scotch Brite Botanical disinfecting wipes (safe around pets & kids)
- Cleansing wipes
- Hand sanitizer
- Bags for picking up waste
- Crates – these should be cleaned with bleach and water before using. This is a vital step to prevent the spread of disease (after every transport be sure they are cleaned, bleached and rinsed – do not wait for the next transport to clean them).

- Transport blankets/towels
- Rags (torn up old soft tee shirt; good for cleaning eye goobers, pukey mouths, etc.)
- Puppy pads - you can also purchase Washable "wee-wee" pads. They're so much cheaper in the long run, soft, absorb well and MUCH better for the environment. Just throw in the washing machine, dry on low heat, fold up for next time...they're awesome.

www.ezwhelp.com/BuyUsedWhelpingPads.htm

- Tape and Sharpie markers or zip ties are handy to have in your transport bag in case of tags coming loose.

Day of Transport

Make sure to check your email before heading out. Try to arrive early (remember that time listed on the runsheet is the START time for that leg, meaning that you should be loaded up and ready to leave the meeting location by then)

Make sure to get the paperwork & health certificates from the previous driver. Put all of the paperwork somewhere secure so that you do not forget to hand it off to following driver.

Stay in contact with the drivers that you'll be meeting at both of your handoff locations. It's a good idea to program their numbers into your phone, along with the number of the Transport Coordinator.

Do not assume all dogs get along - they are like people in that respect. Use care when approaching other transport volunteers walking dogs. It is much easier to prevent a scuffle than to break one up.

For fearful dogs longer heavy weight gloves would be useful.

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