Welcome to the dog transport world.  You may discover after your first transport that you have an incurable disease … it happens to all drivers. We fall in love in 60 minutes or 60 miles which ever happens first.

Your Passenger Today is: Name of Dog and Details (provided at time of transport)

***How the animal rides on transport***

If you crate during transport, please be prepared to bring your own crate.  If you tether the dog/s in your car leave enough room to stand up or lay down but not enough slack in the tether to roam around your car.

***Tethering***

Tethering is as simple as tying a leash around a back seat headrest or looping it through a door handle.  I would suggest tethering in the back.  Please if possible use the “chain” type leashes for tethering…. Occasionally dogs will chew their leashes, collars, or harnesses and roam free in the car much to the driver’s surprise!

***Transfers***

Please double leash and use a slip lead … also called a training lead to transfer the dog or at any time when he/she is out of the car.  Should one leash break you will still have control of the dog.  When you exit the car, put your hand through the loop on the leash before you allow the dog to exit the car.  DOUBLE leash at all times when he is out of the car.

\*\*\* If we are transporting more than one animal, please take one dog at a time out of the car for a potty break. Return the dog to the car, tether in car and then take the second dog out of the car for a potty break.

\*\*\* You may prefer to wait until both connecting drivers are present to walk the dogs. \*\*\*

***Protect Your Vehicle***

Please protect the interior of your cars…. PSPBRT not responsible for chewed seat belts or any other damage.  DOGS WILL BE DOGS!

***Procedures***

1.      FIRST THING we urge you to do is exchange the dog’s paperwork.  The Dog/s will be travelling with current vet records and Health Certificates.  This paperwork must stay with the dog until journeys end.  If for any reason you forget to exchange the paperwork you must call and stop the other driver and turn around and go back and get the paperwork. I have had to do that once…. I URGE YOU…. Transfer that paper work FIRST.

2.      Protect your car seats and carpets with some old blankets or towels or crate the dog(s).  Take two small plastic bowls and a bottle of water with you, offer dogs water at each stop.  I also take a spare old towel, trash bag, poopie bags, antibacterial hand sanitizer, and a roll of paper towels or wipes just in case.

3.      Do not feed them any snacks or treats or foods … might cause carsickness… water is all they get until they get off the road at night.  They will get a nice dinner when they reach their destination.

4.      There is a 10-minute break between each run for potty breaks.  Please again double leash the dog at all time when out of the car. Offer water at each transfer.

5.      Do not leave the dog alone in the car… they can accidentally step on the power window button and roll down the power windows and jump out…. Another reason we urge tethering in the cars.

6.     Please try to be at the meeting place at least 10 minutes before the connecting driver is due.  As you drive more often, you will become more familiar with places you like to meet…. However, we always urge public places like McDonalds, Cracker Barrel or place that you know there will be other people around you.  Having said that if possible get off the highway and try to find a grassy place for the dogs to walk.  During the summer months … please get the dogs off pavement or parking lots… hot surfaces burn the pads of the dog’s feet.

7.      There will be a driver’s chat set up on Facebook.  We will try to find you on Facebook… please accept our Friend Request so that you can be added to the chat.  That is where you will meet and exchange meeting places with the connecting drivers. The dialogue for setting up meeting places will be …. Meeting at the Wendy’s at exit 777 off 95… my cell phone is XXX-XXX-XXXX… I drive a Ruby Red Diamond T… Most of the drivers are very friendly and helpful; it is a great family to be a part of.  Please stay in the drivers chat… you will know exactly what is happening… sometimes the run is early sometimes it is late…. When your transfer is complete please post into the drivers chat “transfer complete”  “We are rolling”” ETA to Betty/ or your connecting driver is  XX:XX”…. Ask your connecting drivers for exact street addresses… you can put them in your GPS and drive straight to them.  If anything happens, please let your monitor know immediately.  Your monitor should answer you back within minutes.  If they do not message them again….   IF you are not on FB or the Drivers chat… please call or text your monitor when you have arrived at the meeting spot.  Call or text the monitor when the transfer is complete and give and ETA for your connecting driver. If you are running early or late, please let you monitor know.

8.      We will email you a completed run sheet.  It will have everybody’s name and phone number and car description and meeting place.  Your monitor’s name and phone number will be at the bottom of the Disclaimer.

9.      We would say to you…. The number one priority is safety…. Please be safe out there on the roads….

10.   When your part of the transport is complete… you are not done with us…. No transport is considered complete until all drivers are back home and safely accounted for … so we ask you to post back in when you are off the road and tell us you are safe.  If you do not we will start calling and looking for you…

11.   This is the part that I stress to you… we do not know these dogs.  We can only rely on what other people tell us, so we ask that you handle these fur babies with care.  Transport can stress even the mellowest dogs. Loud noises can make them bolt… that is also why we ask you to double leash them… this is just a stressful time for them.

12.   Please notify your monitor when you have arrived at the meeting place.  Please notify your monitor when you have loaded up our passenger and give an ETA for the connecting driver.

13. Please we love pictures…Take as many as you can and post them into the drivers chat.

We thank you for joining us.  Hope you will look for us in the State transport pages of your state.  You are making a difference in the world one dog at the time.