

4: TRANSPORTATION POLICY

To comply with the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities involving Animals) Regulations 2018, we have policies and procedures in place to ensure safe transportation of dogs, to ensure that they are protected from any pain, suffering, injury or disease.

Action	Procedure
Transport by vehicle – vehicle used	Service Provider's Vehicle.
Emergency transport by vehicle – vehicle used	Emergency Contacts' vehicles.
Housing of dogs during transport – harness / guard / crate	Guard at rear of vehicle for two dogs; harnesses attached to seatbelts for accommodation of four dogs.
Housing of dogs during transport – temperature and ventilation	Mobile fans and open windows in warm weather and heaters and blankets in cold weather.
Cleaning and disinfection of transport	Vehicle disinfected weekly internally and cleaned externally monthly.
Minding of dogs while in a vehicle	Dogs will only be left in vehicle for a few minutes while Service Provider picks up or drops off other dogs, in these circumstances in warm weather, vehicle will be parked in shade where possible and all windows left slightly open for ventilation.
Hydration of dogs while in transport	A water container and bowls will be carried in the vehicle at all times.
Toilet breaks for dogs in transport	Dogs will not be transported for long periods or distances. They will receive toilet breaks before and after any necessary transported journey. Should it be necessary to transport a dog for a long distance, regular hourly toilet breaks will be provided.