

# Checklist: Travelling with Pets in the Aircraft Cabin

## Before the Journey

- ✓ Check the pet entry requirements for all relevant countries and airlines involved in your trip.
- ✓ Register your pet with the airline early – ideally at the time of booking.
- ✓ Arrange any required veterinary checks and vaccinations, and ask your vet about possible calming medication.
- ✓ Make sure all required documents (e.g. pet passport, vaccination certificates, airline forms) are complete and easily accessible.
- ✓ Get a suitable travel carrier with an absorbent lining and proper ventilation.
- ✓ Help your pet get used to the carrier well in advance, and place a familiar blanket or toy inside.
- ✓ Pack a suitable leash and either a harness (recommended) or collar.

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## Before Departure

- ✔ Give your pet access to food and water well before departure – not too close to the flight to avoid nausea.
- ✔ Give your pet enough exercise beforehand to move around and relieve itself.
- ✔ Arrive at the check-in desk with your pet in its carrier around 2 hours before departure.
- ✔ Present all official and veterinary documents at check-in. Ensure your pet wears a harness or collar, and keep the leash easily accessible.

## During the Flight

- ✔ Store the carrier under the seat in front and speak to your pet to calm it.
- ✔ Keep your pet inside the carrier during the flight – check with the crew if taking it out is permitted.
- ✔ Check on your pet regularly and make sure the temperature is comfortable – for example, place a light scarf over it if the cabin is too cold.
- ✔ Keep wipes or tissues ready in case of small accidents. Avoid feeding your pet during the flight (especially on short journeys).

# Overview: Transportation of pets

Airline	Cabin (up to 8 kg)	Cargo (over 8 kg)	Box size	Price for cabin	Price for cargo	To note
KLM	Yes	Yes	46 x 28 x 24 cm	75 – 400 €	75 – 400 €	Max. 3 as cargo with max. 75 kg
Eurowings	Yes	No	55 x 40 x 23 cm	ab 60 €	-	Short & medium-distance only
easyJet	No	No	-	-	-	-
Wizz Air	No	No	-	-	-	-
Ryanair	No	No	-	-	-	Assistance only dogs
TAP Portugal	Yes	Yes	45 x 30 x 23 cm	40 – 70 €	Bis 320 €	Depending on season & route
Air France	Yes	Yes	46 x 28 x 24 cm	70 – 200 €	100 – 400 €	No snub-nosed animals in the cargo
Iberia	Yes	Yes	45 x 35 x 25 cm	40 – 180 €	60 – 180 €	Hund, Katze, Vögel, Fische erlaubt
Lufthansa	Yes	Yes	55 x 40 x 23 cm	60 – 180 €	100 – 380 €	No snub-nosed animals in the cargo
Swiss Air	Yes	Yes	55 x 40 x 23 cm	65 – 75 €	65 – 380 €	Max. 2 pets per passenger

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