

Three Little Pitties Transport: Booking a Networked Spot

For help placing dogs and puppies at out of state rescue partners and no-kill shelters

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Thank you for being this animal's advocate. It's easy to look the other way, but you didn't. Take a moment to celebrate the part you have played in saving a life.

Requirements

1. All dogs must have (can be provided by 3LP- see FAQ 1)
 - a. 2 DHPP vaccines given a MINIMUM of 14 days apart
 - b. 1 Bordetella vaccine
 - c. 1 Rabies vaccine (12 weeks & older)
 - d. 2 rounds of deworming given 14 days apart with either Wormout (X2) or 3 days Strongid/Panacur (X2)
2. All dogs must have a negative heartworm test result from the last 30 days (required at booking)
3. All dogs traveling must have been in foster or boarding for at least 14 days prior to departure. You MUST provide your own foster or boarding arrangements.
4. We are able to network pregnant dog moms or nursing litters as long as the puppies are still nursing (usually under 5 weeks) on transport day. Once puppies stop nursing they will need to wait until their 2nd DHPP vaccine (8 weeks) before traveling.
5. Dogs that are dog or human aggressive will be unable to travel. If a dog shows up to transport with aggressive behavior towards dogs or humans, they will be removed from transport.

These spots cost \$225 for every dog over 5 months. Dogs under 5 months and their mothers (if applicable) ride for free. This includes the cost of the health certificate.

There is a 2-4 week waiting list for dog networked spots, so please plan accordingly.

How to Book Your Spot

- 1.** Step 1: Fill out this [form](https://forms.gle/Bb8ZDibnwChKn9nV6) (https://forms.gle/Bb8ZDibnwChKn9nV6)
- 2.** Step 2: Within 72 hours send ONE EMAIL PER DOG (or one email for a litter of puppies under 12 weeks) containing ALL of the following to whitneydeanne@gmail.com. This must be a NEW email, not a reply, and must have a subject line of “[Dog’s Name] Transport Record”
 - a. A clear, in the light, close up photo of all dogs
 - b. Scanned or photographed copies of any records for all dogs
 - c. For every dog over 6 months you will also need:
 - i. Proof of a HW negative test (vet records, shelter records, or IDEXX snap test photo) from the last 30 days
 - ii. a link to YouTube video or a public Facebook post with a video. Videos sent as attachments will not be accepted. Unacceptably blurry, dark, or brief clips will be not be accepted. The purpose is the see the dog’s temperament and body language, and if that is not accomplished then the request will need to be resubmitted.
 1. Being given a bowl of food and then having the food bowl taken away
 2. Walking on a leash
 3. Off leash around other similarly sized dogs
 4. With a human in their face tugging on their ears, messing with their mouth, and getting kisses/affection
- 3.** Please wait 72 hours after the completion of both steps for a reply.

Once you receive a confirmation email please make arrangements to bring your animal and all of their printed medical records to Sienna at 6 Vet Clinic (8790 Hwy 6, #100, Missouri City, TX 77459) at 6:45pm on the night of your travel

date. Plan to stay for 60-90 minutes to complete the health certificate and properly load the van.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Question: I found this dog as a stray/pulled it from a shelter. Are you able to help with any of the expenses associated with heartworm testing, heartworm prevention, deworming, spay/neuter or vaccines?

- a. Spay and neuter is not required to travel, and as such will not be paid for or reimbursed by the rescue.
- b. We are only able to send dogs to networked spots with proof of a heartworm negative test. This test can be provided at a low cost vet clinic for around \$20. Requests for networking will not be processed without this test.
- c. We will not pay for vaccines or dewormer at a clinic; HOWEVER, if you are able to drive the animal to meet with a Three Little Pitties volunteer in the Heights, Pearland, Alvin, Sugarland, or Galveston, then we will give DHPP, bordatella, deworming, flea treatment, and/or heartworm prevention as needed at no additional cost once the dog has been confirmed for a networked spot. **Please include this request in your "Step 2" email.**

2. Question: Can I make a request for where this dog will go?

Due to the nature of our networking, we are unable to accommodate requests for where the dog goes. We trust all of our receiving partners, and we request that you trust us in placing them.

3. Question: Is Three Little Pitties going to find a foster for this dog?

Due to agreements we have with several rural shelters, our fosters are almost always full. If you want your dog to be networked to a shelter OR you choose the adoption coordinator option, either way you'll need to provide your own foster for the entirety of their time between booking and transport day. We appreciate the sacrifices that we know you will make to help save this animal's life in doing so.

4. Question: I'm fostering this dog through a shelter. When/how does Three Little Pitties tag this dog?

Three Little Pitties does not tag dogs for transport. This is for liability purposes since we have so many dogs in our program at any given time. If you would like to transport a dog then you will need to pull the dog from the shelter through your own rescue. If you are not associated with a rescue and the shelter is unwilling to release the animal to you, please send an email to the shelter representative in charge of rescue tags and CC WhitneyDeanne@gmail.com. Please only do this AFTER exhausting all other free options for pulling and if necessary, we will tag the dog the day before transport day as long it's been in your care for 2 weeks leading up to this day.

5. Question: Where are these animals going?

Three Little Pitties has 25-30 rescue and no-kill shelter partners in the Pacific Northwest, Northeast and Midwest where they have shortages of dogs and cats. We do not send to regions with their own overpopulation. Most animals are in adoptive or foster homes within 30 days of arrival.

6. Question: Does this animal have to be spayed or neutered to travel?

No. We do have one foster based rescue partner, and they are only able to do intake for spayed or neutered dogs over 4 months so spay/neuter increases the likelihood of a dog getting into a foster home vs. a shelter; however, spay or neuter is not required to book a networked spot.

7. Question: What if an emergency happens and this animal needs surgery or medicine between the time I book it and the time it travels?

With the number of animals we send each month, we cannot maintain financial or legal responsibility for these animals prior to transport. It is your responsibility to cover any expenses as well as your responsibility to cover any incidentals that may occur as a result of this animal's temperament. Three Little Pitties will help with medical expenses needed to get the animal ready to travel ONLY IF you meet a Three Little Pitties coordinator for supplies. We will not pay for these services to be provided at external providers, Medical assistance provided includes: DHPP shots, bordatella vaccines, rabies vaccines, Lepto vaccines (as needed), deworming, microchips (as needed), heartworm prevention (as needed), and flea prevention (as needed)

8. Question: Why do puppies get to ride for free?

In order to ensure consistent acceptance for our adult pitties and bully breeds we send puppies to our intake shelters. Because of this we always need puppies. Heartworm negative moms found with their litters also ride for free as part of our “never leave a mom behind” belief. If mom is heartworm positive and you’re willing to foster for 2-3 months please reach out to whitneydeanne@gmail.com to determine next steps.

9. Question: I don’t have \$225. How can I help pay for this?

- a. Start a Facebook fundraiser. Share it on your page and select Three Little Pitties Rescue as the beneficiary. Screenshot the total collected and send to whitneydeanne@gmail.com on transport day or when the \$225 threshold is met. The amount collected will be applied to your \$225 cost.
- b. We frequently do bake sales and garage sales to cover our expenses. This is a great way for you to raise money to cover all or part of the \$225 expense.
- c. Because puppies are integral to the success of our model, we always need puppies that meet the vaccine and quarantine requirements stated above. For every 4 puppies you send through us that can travel in a shared medium kennel you will be given credit for 1 adult to ride for free.
- d. See the adoption coordinator option.

10. Question: What happens if I book a dog and then I decide to pull it off transport?

Because a lot of work goes into putting together our van roster and ensuring acceptance for all dogs that book spots, we request that once you book a dog that you do NOT pull it from our transport unless major health or temperament issues arise. If you abuse this and it appears as if you are booking dogs before having full information about their health or temperament, you will be blocked from sending any animals in the future.

11. Question: Is there anything I can do to make this trip less stressful for this dog?

Getting dogs used to a crate/kennel will help make this trip less stressful. Prepare at home by letting the traveling animal spend time in a crate or kennel with toys, treats, and blankets.

12. Question: My dog has medicine or special food for the trip. How should we handle this?

As long as the dog is NOT contagious and will pass a health certificate, medicine and special food for HEALTH REASONS ONLY can be administered on the drive. Medicine will ONLY be given at the morning meal and evening meal.

In order to send medicine with your pup, please put only the dosage that would be needed for Wednesday (morning and evening) and Thursday (morning only) in a ziplock baggie. Additional meds will need to stay attached to the dog's medical files. Please have pills already wrapped in pill pockets and syringes already loaded. On the baggie write

- Dog's Name
- Short Description ("White Pittie Puppy with blue collar" or "Adult Black Lab")
- List the windows meds should be given (Wednesday AM, Wednesday PM, Thursday AM)

At transport loading you'll turn these meds in to Whitney before loading the van and fill out a short form for drivers to track. If the dog needs medicine more than twice per day, needs a topical treatment that they will potentially lick and ingest during the ride, and/or is resistant to pills even with a pill pocket, we do not recommend our transport and would encourage you to delay their travel date.

13. Question: Can I send stuffed animals/treats/blankets/toys, etc.?

You are able to send anything that can safely travel in the kennel with the dog or can fit inside the manila envelope containing their medical records. We advise against sending food based treats since the stress and proximity in the van can cause some dogs to become protective and aggressive over treats; however, blankets, or soft toys are fine to travel. If dogs are not kennel trained and are likely to have an accident (most puppies under 6 months, even if starting to potty train) then we request that you not send special blankets or toys because for sanitary reasons they'll be thrown out if/when an accident occurs.

14. Question: Will I be able to get updates after the travel day?

Since the shelters we send to can have hundreds of animals being adopted through their system, not all of them send updates. The best way to ensure connecting to the “happily ever after” for this cat or dog is to include a printed letter with your personal contact information with their medical records. 99.9% of adopters will reach out with photos and updates. It takes 2 weeks on average, but sometimes up to 4 weeks for adoptions to be finalized through most of these groups, so please wait at least 1 month before reaching out to WhitneyDeanne@gmail.com for an update.

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