



# Don't Roll The Dice With Your Pet's Safety.

Most of us have cringed at the sight of an animal being transported carelessly in the bed of a pickup truck. Pet owners who do this endanger both the pet and other motorists. Even if your pet manages to stay in the truck bed, that wind whipping into his face carries dirt, debris, gravel and other foreign objects that can injure his eyes, or lodge in his nose or ears, potentially causing serious damage. To make a bad situation worse, consider how hot a truck bed can become in the Texas sun, against an animal's paws.



If you hit a pothole or have to swerve or brake suddenly, your pet can easily be propelled into the road. If hitting the pavement doesn't kill him, being struck by oncoming traffic probably will. Also, motorists' efforts to avoid hitting your pet can easily cause an accident. Tying your pet into the truck bed is **NEVER** a safe solution. It only takes 1 tragic move for a rope or leash to become a noose. Countless animals hang themselves in the back of pickups after being thrown into the air or falling/jumping over the side.

## SHE IS THE BEST FRIEND YOU COULD EVER ASK FOR. SHE DEPENDS ON YOU TO KEEP HER SAFE.

When your pet is along for the ride, keep her inside the vehicle, with you. Use an appropriate carrier for cats, small dogs, rabbits and other small pets. For larger dogs, you can use a special harness that attaches to a seat belt, to keep your dog secure in the back seat. Remember to **NEVER** leave your pet in a hot car and to always keep her I.D. tags current - even when she is at home.



## Check Out These Websites

for more helpful information on how to keep your pet safe...



\* Learn how to devise a disaster plan to protect your pets in the event of an evacuation...

<http://www.redcross.org>

\* Learn about the dangers of using softwood shavings, such as pine and cedar, in your rabbit's living environment...

<http://www.rabbit.org/care>

\* Learn why it is dangerous to allow your cat to play with string or tinsel...

\* Learn why cats are much safer when kept indoors...

<http://www.americanhumane.org>

\* Learn how to provide safe housing for your pet bird...

\* Learn how to prevent heat exhaustion in animals...

\* Learn about common foods, plants and household chemicals that are poisonous to your pet...

\* Learn how spaying/neutering your pet can prevent certain types of cancer, curb certain behavioral issues and much more...

<http://www.humanesociety.org>

\* Learn how to create a "Safety Net" for your pet ferret...

<http://www.weaselwords.com>

- American Boston Terrier Rescue**  
972.407.4440; [www.bostonterrierrescue.net](http://www.bostonterrierrescue.net)
- Animal Rescue Klub (ARK)**  
[www.animalrescueklub.org](http://www.animalrescueklub.org); 972.562.HELP
- Animal Rescue of Texas**  
[www.animalrescueoftexas.org](http://www.animalrescueoftexas.org); 214.276.7802
- Camp Wolfgang (German Shepherd Dog Rescue)**  
214.520.7000; [www.campwolfgang.petfinder.com](http://www.campwolfgang.petfinder.com)
- Chihuahua Rescue and Transport, Inc.**  
[www.chihuahua-rescue.org](http://www.chihuahua-rescue.org)
- City Pet Rescue (CPR)**  
[www.citypetrescue.com](http://www.citypetrescue.com)
- Coppell Humane Society**  
[www.coppellhumanesociety.org](http://www.coppellhumanesociety.org); 972.462.1121
- Dachshund Lovers of Texas**  
[www.dachshundloversoftexas.org](http://www.dachshundloversoftexas.org); 214.577.7536
- DFW Cocker Spaniel Rescue**  
[www.dfwcockerrescue.8m.com](http://www.dfwcockerrescue.8m.com); 972.994.1133
- DFW Labrador Retriever Rescue Club**  
972.881.5544; [www.dfwlabrescue.org](http://www.dfwlabrescue.org)
- East Lake Pet Orphanage**  
214.349.ELPO (3576); [www.elpo.org](http://www.elpo.org)
- Flower Mound Humane Society**  
[www.fmhs.org](http://www.fmhs.org); 972.691.7387
- Frisco Humane Society**  
[www.friscohumanesociety.com](http://www.friscohumanesociety.com); 972.498.8980
- Great Dane Angel Network Rescue**  
817.361.9855; [www.daneangelnetwork.org](http://www.daneangelnetwork.org)

- Humane Animal Rescue Team (HART)**  
[www.hartoftexas.org](http://www.hartoftexas.org); 214.332.9535
- Labrador Retriever Rescue of North Texas**  
[www.labrescuenorthtexas.org](http://www.labrescuenorthtexas.org); 972.480.LABS (5227)
- Legacy Boxer Rescue, Inc.**  
[www.savetheboxers.com](http://www.savetheboxers.com); 1.877.5BOXERS
- North Texas Rabbit Sanctuary**  
[www.ntrs.org](http://www.ntrs.org); ntrs\_tx@yahoo.com
- Protective Animal League (PAL)**  
[www.onepetatatime.org](http://www.onepetatatime.org); 972.881.1981
- Save The Animals Rescue Society (STARS)**  
[www.starspets.com](http://www.starspets.com); 972.459.9181
- Saving Pyrs In Need (SPIN)**  
[www.SPINrescue.org](http://www.SPINrescue.org); 972.681.8585
- Scottie Kingdom Rescue, Inc.**  
[www.scottiekingdom.com](http://www.scottiekingdom.com)
- Straydog, Inc.**  
[www.straydog.org](http://www.straydog.org); 903.479.3497
- Tassie's Hope Animal Rescue**  
[www.tassieshope.org](http://www.tassieshope.org); 214.550.2648
- Texas Animal Shelter Coalition**  
817.392.3737; [www.sheltercoalition.com](http://www.sheltercoalition.com)
- Texas Friends of Shelter Animals**  
[TxFosa@verizon.net](mailto:TxFosa@verizon.net); [www.friendsofshelteranimals.org](http://www.friendsofshelteranimals.org)
- Texas Tailwaggers Village Rescue**  
[txtailwaggers@aol.com](mailto:txtailwaggers@aol.com); [txtailwaggers.petfinder.org](http://txtailwaggers.petfinder.org)
- Westie Rescue of North Texas**  
214.432.7541; [www.wrnt.org](http://www.wrnt.org)