

Tips to make your cat's flight safer

- Make sure your cat is wearing a collar, an identification tag, and include destination information. Breakaway collars are best for cats.
- Book a direct flight whenever possible and try to avoid heavy travel times (weekends and holidays). This will decrease the likelihood of your pet being left on the tarmac during extreme weather conditions or mishandled by baggage personnel.
- Purchase a U.S. Department of Agriculture approved shipping carrier that is large enough for your cat to stand, sit, and change position comfortably.
- Write "Live Animal" in large letters on the top and sides of the carrier. Use arrows to show the upright position of the carrier.
- To check reports of mishandling incidents with the airlines go to: airconsumer.ost.dot.gov and click on Air Travel Consumer Report. Look for the most recent pet report.