

WESTIE RESCUE MICHIGAN, INC. TRANSPORTER AGREEMENT

I agree to the following criteria when transporting dogs:

1. I understand the critical need to fulfill the commitment I make. I understand that if I am late or do not show up, the whole transport will fail and the dog can easily die because of this failure. I WILL meet my commitment.
2. If a true emergency occurs and I cannot keep my commitment for any reason, I will contact the coordinator immediately.
3. I will make every effort to be at an agreed upon meeting spot on time. If traffic or other circumstances cause a delay, I will call the next transporter as soon as I realize it. If I am called due to a delay, I will wait until the dog arrives. I will never leave a dog stranded.
4. If I pick up a dog at a shelter, I will collect all paperwork and make sure it and any meds go with the dog to the next destination. I will submit any reimbursement claims within 2 weeks of the expense.
5. If I pick up a dog at a home, I will make sure I obtain the signed surrender contract, the signed limitations statement and any medical records along with anything else that might come with the dog.
6. I WILL NOT accept any owner-surrendered dog from the owner without the proper signed paperwork.
7. If I am receiving the dog from another transporter, I will verify that I have all of the proper paperwork and all other items before I leave the meeting spot.
8. I will keep a collar with an ID tag on it for use during transports. The ID tag will direct a finder to me, to another Rescue person or to Westie Rescue Michigan. I will also keep a 6 foot leash in the car for use during transports. I will also keep a crate available for transports.
9. I will crate every dog I transport. The dog will be put in the crate with a collar and ID tag on and a leash attached. I will close the door with the leash on the dog but partially on the outside so that the leash can be held whenever the door is opened. **Note: If there is reason to believe the dog is a "chewer", the leash may be left outside the crate but nearby and the door will not be opened until the leash is in hand and ready for attachment.**
10. I will provide drinking water to the dog when I receive the dog. On longer transports I will stop periodically to water and exercise the dog. The dog will never be off leash.
11. Since I don't know the dog and may not aware of the status of its vaccinations, I will not allow others to touch the dog during a transport.
12. I understand that I have no rights to this dog. If I find that I like the dog and want to keep it, I will deliver the dog as arranged and fill out an application to adopt. This is not a guarantee as to final disposition but will get me in line to be considered for the adoption.
13. The transporter accepts responsibility for any and all events that occur in connection with the transporting of a rescue dog. The transporter agrees to release and indemnify (Hold Harmless) Westie Rescue Michigan, Inc. and the West Highland White Terrier Club from any and all claims, known and unknown, now or hereafter, arising in connection with the dog. This includes any damage done by the dog.
14. This agreement shall be governed by all applicable laws of the State of Michigan. If any provision of this agreement is deemed invalid, then said offending provision may be stricken from the agreement and the remaining provisions enforced.

Name (printed) of the transporter: _____

Signature of the transporter: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Rescue: _____ Date: _____

Send signed original to: Foster Home Coordinator

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