

Safe Rabbit Travel Tips

Use these tips for safe travel with your pet rabbit on your next trip.

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Just can't bear to leave a pet rabbit behind? Or maybe you're moving, and you have no choice but to travel with your rabbit. Here are some tips from Kristi Cole, a licensed educator and fosterer for the Buckeye House Rabbit Society, to help make it a smooth and safe trip:

Rabbit Travel Tip 1: Be sure it's OK to have rabbits at the destination — ask hosts, hotels, etc. ahead of time.

Rabbit Travel Tip 2: If you're staying at someone's home, ask if there is a safe place the rabbit can stay, away from other pets and curious children.

Rabbit Travel Tip 3: Don't forget to bring some sort of rabbit housing to set up once you reach your destination. "The exercise pens that fold up are great for traveling," said Cole. "They save space in the car and give lots of flexibility of shapes once you figure out where to set it up."

Rabbit Travel Tip 4: You'll need a car carrier so that your rabbit will be secure in the car and safe in case of a collision.

Rabbit Travel Tip 5: You'll also need all your rabbit's food and supplies. But remember, "most rabbits are stressed by riding in the car, will not likely eat or drink anything while traveling and may not start eating right away after arriving," said Cole.