

# Travel and Emergencies (10/23/2008)

## First Aid Kit (p.89/90)

- Keep out of reach of small children
- Replace expired medication regularly
- Consider special needs of your pet

## Traveling with your Pet (p.95)

### 1. Short Trips by Car

- Cats in carrier, dogs restrained
- Keep your pet restrained during rest stops
- Never leave animal in parked car
- No open windows while driving
- Bring along travel kit (water, food bowl, leash, med. records, ID)

### 2. Trips by Airplane

- Book early
- Take small pet on board, if possible
- Use direct flights
- Fly on same plane as your pet
- Watch loading/unloading
- Take along travel kit
- Be prepared for different climate at destination

- Ask about requirements at destination (health papers etc.)

### 3. International Travel

- Health check
- Update vaccinations
- Travel documents (health certificate, vaccination records etc.)
- Stock up on your pets medications

### Natural Disasters

- Have a disaster plan ready (and share it with your pet sitter)
- Keep a first aid kit handy and updated
- Keep a pet travel kit handy and updated
- Never leave your pet behind if you have to evacuate
- In case of disaster warning, bring your pet into the house
- Keep ID on your pet (tag, microchip, etc.)

Homework: Read p.89/90 and p.94-96

Next week we'll talk about regular health care for your pet. We'll also learn how to choose a pet and where to find it.

There is no class on 11/6/2008 (week 9), but for everyone interested there will be a tour of a local vet clinic, Animal Medical Service on 5103 Tieton Drive.