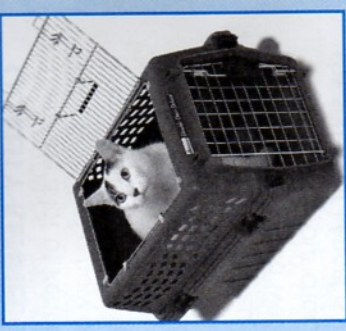


THE COST OF USING A KENNEL VS. THE COST OF NOT USING A KENNEL

Kennels cost between \$9.99 – \$179.99 depending on the size, type and source of purchase. Not using a kennel may mean your dog destroys your shoes, table legs, chairs and sofas, flooring, telephone and computer wires. Obviously, this can become quite costly. However, the real cost of not using a kennel is risking your dog's safety. If you let your puppy run free throughout your house, there is an endless list of trouble he can get into including: eating houseplants, chewing electric cords, scavenging in the garbage and chewing your shoes and clothing.

Kennel Training Aids In:

- Housetraining.
- The prevention of destructive chewing and costly damage to your home.
- Safeguarding a puppy or new dog from potentially dangerous household items such as poisonous cleaning chemicals and electrical wires.
- The prevention of separation stress. A kennel provides your dog with a secure retreat and teaches him to learn to tolerate and even enjoy quiet time by himself.
- Creating a dog that can stay with a veterinarian or groomer without undue stress (they will both thank you for this!).
- Offering a safe way to transport your dog in the car or on a plane. Additionally, most hotels that accept dogs on their premises require they be kenneled while in the room to prevent damage to hotel furniture and rugs.
- Offering a safe place to keep your dog if workmen are in the house (going in and out and potentially leaving a door or fence open for your dog to wander off).
- Offering a safe place to keep your dog if you have visitors who are afraid of him or vice versa.
- Offering a safe place to keep your dog if he is recuperating from an injury or illness.



Due in part to how infrequently most people transport their cats (once or twice a year, to and from the veterinarian or groomer), they neglect to properly kennel-train their cats. Even if the kennel is used only for occasional transportation, it is still a good idea to follow the same steps outlined here for dogs to teach your cat to enjoy her kennel. Aside from making vet and groomer visits a much less stressful event, you may find your cat will learn to love her own private little sanctuary in her home.

