



## Vacation Pet Care – Expectations and Responsibilities Pet Sitter

### Companion Care and Safety - Outside & On Walks

Full walk-time (weather permitting)	Provide agreed-upon # of walks
Adherence to owner's training	Walker makes best effort to ensure dog relieves himself / herself (ie. Letting into yard before walk if necessary, not feeding dog excessively after walk)
Dog(s) <u>never</u> left unattended	
No off-leash walks	<u>NO DOG PARKS</u>
No unauthorized group walks	Attiring dog(s) appropriately in inclement weather

### Companion Care and Safety - In home & Alone

Remain attentive to dog's cues	Freshen water at least daily, or as required
Provide agreed-upon food & treats	Make note of unusual digestive issues (ie. Stool quality)
Administer medication promptly	Dog not left alone in excess of 6 hours (time frame open to negotiation at initial consultation)
Provide only authorized chew toys	
Music / tv left on if requested	Promptly consult veterinarian in case of emerg. / illness

### Home Care and Maintenance

Wet / muddy / snow-covered dog(s) dried / cleaned immediately (preferably outside)	
Any pet messes cleaned immediately	Dirty towels left in laundry basket or laundered
Litter box scooped daily	Bedding left in laundry basket or laundered
Garbage / recycling at curb on time	Cooperation with other service providers present (ie. Housekeepers, contractors, package deliverers)
Bins brought in within 12h of pickup	

### Home Safety and Discretion

Mail and papers brought in promptly	Key NOT marked with address / owner information
No business signs on vehicle	Ensure key functions properly at initial consultation
Lights rotated (ie. Outdoor / front)	Provide pet parents with insurance info if requested
Phone answered <u>only</u> if requested	
Absence of owners not openly discussed with neighbours, etc.	

### Communication & Professionalism

Confirm timeframe of pet-sit within 24 hours of departure
Alert pet parents or alternate contact of pet health and home maintenance issues immediately
Make note of events (anything from dog's upset stomach to leaky faucets)
Confirm preferred method of communication (ie. Phone call, texting, email)
Make effort to contact owners to confirm they have arrived home at end of pet-sit

Additional Instructions / Requests:

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