

## HOW TO MEASURE YOUR DOG

Proper kennel size is regulated by IATA (International Animal Transport Association); however, some airlines have more strict regulations. The crate must be large enough for your pet(s) to sit, stand, turn around & lie down without curling in the front legs. Brachyecephalic breeds (aka snub nose) will require one size larger than normally required for extra air flow.

A= length of animal from nose to base of tail (do not measure the tail)

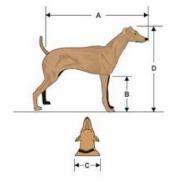
**B** = height from ground to elbow joint

**C** = width across shoulders

**D** = height in relaxed standing position (top of head for pets with non-erect ears - to tip of ears for pets w/ erect ears)

The minimum length of the kennel must be equal to A + 1/2 BThe minimum width of the kennel must be equal to C+1 in x 2 and x 3 for two small pets The minimum height of the kennel must be equal to D + 3 inches

\*Inside kennel dimension does NOT include the doorway or side rims. Most crate dims include entire outside measurements







Measuring guide

Plastic crate with extender

Breed restricted/oversize dog crate

## **GENERAL AIRLINE CRATE REQUIREMENTS:**

The crate must be solid and leak proof and made of fiberglass, metal, rigid plastics, weld metal mesh, solid wood or plywood. The crate cannot be collapsible or have wheels, and there should be no opening door on the top (wire crates & sherpa bags are not acceptable). If a wooden crate is used (required for restricted or oversize breeds) & mesh is used for ventilation, the wire mesh must be 16 gauge ¾ inch square

- Handling space bars or handles must be present on the long side of the crate.
- The container door must have a secure, spring loaded, all around locking system with the pins extending at least 1.6 cm (5/8 in) beyond the horizontal extrusions above and below the door. We strongly recommend the door be further secured with cable/zip ties at each corner.
- The door must be constructed of heavy plastic, welded or cast metal strong enough so that a pet cannot bend them and must be nose and paw proof so as not to injure your pet in any way.
- All crates must have two water containers attached to the front door.
- 3 5" extenders can be added to XL and giant crates if your pet(s) meet the length requirement but do not meet the height requirement (pictured above). This is typically less expensive than moving to the next size crate as all airfreight is based on crate size.

Please contact us at 770-645-1837 or via email at <a href="mailto:pac@petaircarrier.com">pac@petaircarrier.com</a> if you have any questions regarding your crate purchase. If you provide the proper measurements for your pet(s), PAC can drop ship a crate to you for convenience, or we can advise you where you can purchase for yourself. If size is questionable to you, it is also best to take your pet to a local pet store and send us photos of your pet(s) in and beside the crate.