

PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR YOUR FOSTER PET

ADULT DOGS

- Adult dogs can have the run of the house while supervised, but set up an area or room for your foster dog for overnights and when unsupervised.
- This area or room should be free of any breakable or valuable items.
- You should be able to easily clean and/or disinfect this area or room.
- The room should have clean bedding and toys to keep the dog comfortable and mentally stimulated.
- Set up a crate according to the dog's familiarity with crate training.
- If you have other dogs, set up a separate area for feeding.

ADULT CATS

- Initially, set up the adult cat in a small room with his or her litter box and food so he or she can get used to the scents and routine of the new home.
- You should be able to easily clean and/or disinfect this area or room.
- Foster cats should have their own litter box with access to it at all times.
- There should be clean and comfortable bedding where the cat sleeps.
- After 24 to 48 hours (or when the cat seems comfortable in his or her new environment) allow the cat access to a few more rooms, still making sure he or she knows where the litter box is.
- If there is a disagreement between your foster cat and other pets in the house, return the foster cat to the small room and try again in another 24 to 48 hours.

KITTENS AND NURSING MOMS WITH KITTENS

- Keep unvaccinated kittens separate from your own pets in the home.
- Kittens (and mom) should be in a warm small room, similar to a child-proofed room (no exposed wires, electrical cords, computer or telephone wires, for example).
- You should be able to easily clean and/or disinfect this area or room.
- Be careful to assure there is not anything heavy or unstable that may fall on the kittens.
- Kittens (and mom) should have clean and comfortable bedding as well as a few stuffed animals with which to cuddle.
- The litter box and food should be kept in the room with the cats, and they should have access to both the litter box and food at all times.
- If you don't have a small room, or if the room you have is too difficult to kitten-proof, we can provide a large dog crate to keep the kittens (and mom) safely contained when unsupervised.

PUPPIES AND NURSING MOMS WITH PUPPIES

- Keep unvaccinated puppies separate from your own pets.
- Puppies (and mom) should be in a warm small room, similar to a child-proofed room (no exposed wires, electrical cords, computer or telephone wires, for example).
- You should be able to easily clean and/or disinfect this area or room.
- This area or room should be free of any breakable or valuable items.
- Be careful to assure there is not anything heavy or unstable that may fall on the puppies.
- Puppies (and mom) should have clean and comfortable bedding as well as a few stuffed animals with which to cuddle.
- If you don't have a small room, or if the room you have is too difficult to puppy-proof, we can provide a large dog crate or exercise pen to keep the puppies (and mom) safely contained when unsupervised.