Breed and Kennel Guidelines

Pet Air

Breed guidelines

Please be advised of our breed restrictions at WestJet Cargo. While we welcome most pets aboard, certain breeds, such as snub-nosed (brachycephalic) breeds, require special consideration. Our commitment to pet safety and comfort guides these restrictions, ensuring the best travel experience for all furry companions.

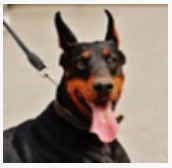
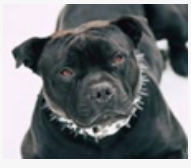
Strong dog breeds

- Strong breeds of dog can pose a hazard during handling and are more prone to breaking out of poorly constructed or incorrectly secured kennels.
- Any strong breed above the age of 6-months must:
  - Be transported in a reinforced kennel;
  - Can only be booked by an IPATA Registered Agent.
- Strong breeds under the age of 6-months:
  - Can be transported in a regularCR-1 standard kennel
  - Can book directly with WestJet Cargo and without using an IPATA registered shipper, only on production of a document showing proof of age.
- Pit-bull (all breeds) are restricted in Ontario.

Any mix of these dogs will be considered a strong breed:

American Bulldog	Cane Carso	Mastiff (all breeds)	Staffordshire Bull Terrier
American Bully	Caucasian Shepherd	Pitbull (all breeds)	Wolf Dog Hybrids
American Staffordshire Terrier	Doberman	Presa Canario	
Anatolian Shepherd	Dogo Argentino	Rhodesian Ridgeback	
Bandog	Fila Brasileiro	Rottweiler	





Brachycephalic breeds

- WestJet Cargo accepts brachycephalic breeds, pending veterinary health checks.
- WestJet Cargo reserves the right to decline transportation of brachycephalic breeds during times of reported high temperatures for the well-being of your pet

Brachycephalic dog breeds

Affenpinscher	Bulldogs (all breeds)	King Charles Cavalier Spaniel	Lhasa Apso
Brasileiro	Bullmastif	Dogue de Bordeaux	Neapolitan Mastiff
Brussels Griffon	Cane Corso	English Toy Spaniel	Pekingese
Boston Terrier	Chihuahua (Apple Faced)	Japanese Chin	Pug
Boxer	Chow Chow	King Charles Spaniel	Shar-pei
Shih Tzu	Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Tibetan Spaniel	

Brachycephalic cat breeds

British shorthair	Bermese	Exotic Shorthair	Humalayan
Persian	Selkirk Rex	Scottish Fold	






Hairless breeds

- The shipping of hairless breeds of dog and cat is embargoed annually between 1st NovemberDecember and 31st March to avoid excessively cold weather.
- WestJet Cargo recognizes the enormous variation in breed characteristics. The embargo applied to hairless breeds does not apply to varieties of specified breeds which have fur. Conversely, breeds which do not appear on the above list, but are hairless through either breed characteristic, medical condition or design shall be subject to the winter period shipping embargo.

Hairless dog breeds

African Hairless	American Hairless Terrier	Argentine Pila	Chinese Crested
Hairless Khala	Jonangi	Mexican Hairless	Peruvian Inca Orchid
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Hairless cat breeds

Bambino	Donskoy	Dwelf	Elf
Peterbald	Sphynx	Ukranian Levkoy	





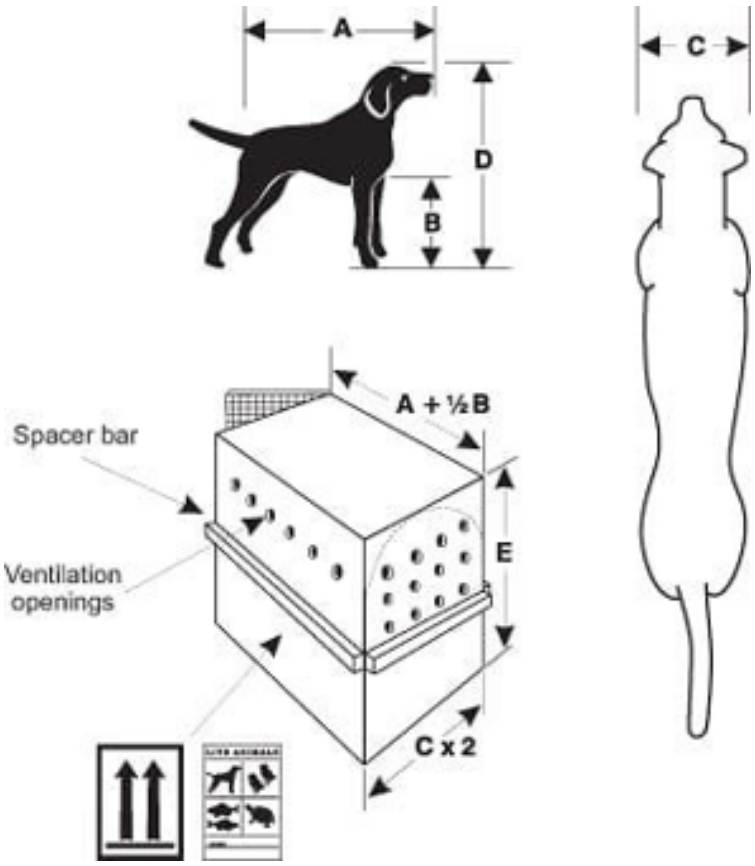
Rule of thumb

The container must allow the animal(s) to stand up, turn around, and lie in a natural position.

A	length of animal from tip of nose to base/rootof tail
B	height from groundto elbow joint
C	width across shoulders or widest point (whichever is the greater)
D	height of animal in natural standing position from top of the head or the ear tip to the floor (whichever is higher)

Minimum internal container dimensions for a single animal:

A + ½B	Length
C x 2	Width
D	Height



Kennel guidelines

- Kennel must be clean with no offensive odors.
- No cracks or damages that risk the structural integrity of the kennel.
- The container has wheels, they must be removed by the shipper.
- Floor must be leak-proof and covered with a layer of absorbent non-consumable material e.g., towel, blanket or absorbent paper (shredded newspaper is not suitable as it can easily break up and contaminate the aircraft).
- Water containers must be non-spillable with outside access for filling.
- Ventilation must be on all four sides.
- Kennels with wire roofs are not allowed.
- One of end of the kennel must be a metal grated door.
- A familiar article in the container can help to keep the pet at ease in transit. One toy, or similar article is permitted in the container with the animal.

- WestJet permits the following to be attached to the outside of the kennel:
  - Small packages of food in a Ziploc or similar clear bag for the purposes of sustainment of the animal during prolonged transfers or comfort stops.
  - Leash
  - Collar (if not worn). Note: WestJet permits the wearing of a collar to aid identification and handling.
  - Items in excess of the above must be packaged and shipped separately.

All kennels must meet the IATA Live Animal Regulations (click or scan QR code)



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Container sizing (L X W X H)

Size	Dimensions (IN)	Dimensions (CM)
Mini/Small	21 X 15 X 15	53 X 38 X 38
Junior	27 X 20 X 19	69 X 51 X 48
Medium	32 X 22 X 23	81 X 56 X 59
Large	36 X 24 X 24	91 X 61 X 61
Extra Large	40 X 27 X 30	101 X 69 X 76
Magnum	45 X 27 X 33	114 X 68 X 83
Giant	48 X 32 X 35	122 X 81 X 89