

Safe Paws Transport Details

Safe Paws Transport ("SPT") provides charter, rescue, and specialty routes for cats and dogs.

- All animals require a health certificate (Certificate of Veterinary Inspection or CVI) and appropriate vaccinations for the state of the receiving shelter or rescue within 10 days prior to transport. No health certificate is needed for in-state (Iowa) transports.

To find the requirements for your state, visit
<https://www.interstatelivestock.com/>

- When requesting transportation, please remember that we do not guarantee immediate or emergency transport and do require a short notice to ensure there are no other transports happening and staff is available to make the trip. Any requests needed within 72 hours of the request date may be subject to an "express fee".
- SPT does not do overnight transports and routes must be 15 hours or less from the pickup location to drop off location.
- We have a mandatory "no paws on the ground" policy for all puppies 6 months or under, regardless of vaccination status, and will be handled with gloves at all times to limit the spread and/or contraction of deadly illnesses, such as parvovirus.
- View planned upcoming transports at <https://safepawstransport.org/upcoming-transports/>
- Request a transport at <https://safepawstransport.org/schedule-a-transport/>
- Any questions, comments, concerns, and/or feedback can be sent to transport@safepawsia.org

Rates

- **Flat \$1/mile**
 - This is a flat rate for shelters, rescues, organizations, or individuals that need transport for any reason. There are no additional fees, such as crate fees, when paying the flat per mile rate.
 - Mileage is calculated with the start and end point of the transport being Des Moines, IA.
 - For example, you request transport from Denver, Co to St. Louis, MO. Mileage would be calculated from Des Moines > Denver > St. Louis > Des Moines, which is 1,863 miles.
- **\$20 tag along crate fee**
 - This fee is when we (Safe Paws) transport a cat or dog on a scheduled, preplanned route.
 - For example, we have a transport pickup in Wichita for animals we've tagged and you also have animals in Wichita that need transported in the direction we were going. We can add your animal(s) to our transport as a tag along for \$20 per crate.
 - Multiple animals in a crate count as one crate fee
 - For example, you have 3 kittens who can all share one crate. Since the crate fee is based on the number of crates and not number of animals, this counts as one \$20 crate fee.
- **IOWA TRANSPORTS ONLY** A one-time payment of \$700 per calendar year
 - Annual fee is prorated based on date of registration
 - Jan 1 – March 31 = \$700
 - Apr 1 – June 30 = \$525
 - July 1 – Sept 30 = \$350
 - Oct 1 – Dec 31 = \$175
 - Safe Paws will provide tag along transportation and in-state freedom rides for animals going to rescues at no additional

cost for the calendar year. Bethany, MO is considered "in-state" due to being a primary transfer spot for Iowa freedom rides from out of state shelters and rescues.

For example, you have animals on a freedom ride that need to get from Tulsa, OK to Cedar Falls, IA. You've found transport from Tulsa to Bethany, MO and from Des Moines to Cedar Falls, but no transport from Bethany to Des Moines. We will transport the Bethany to Des Moines route at no cost.