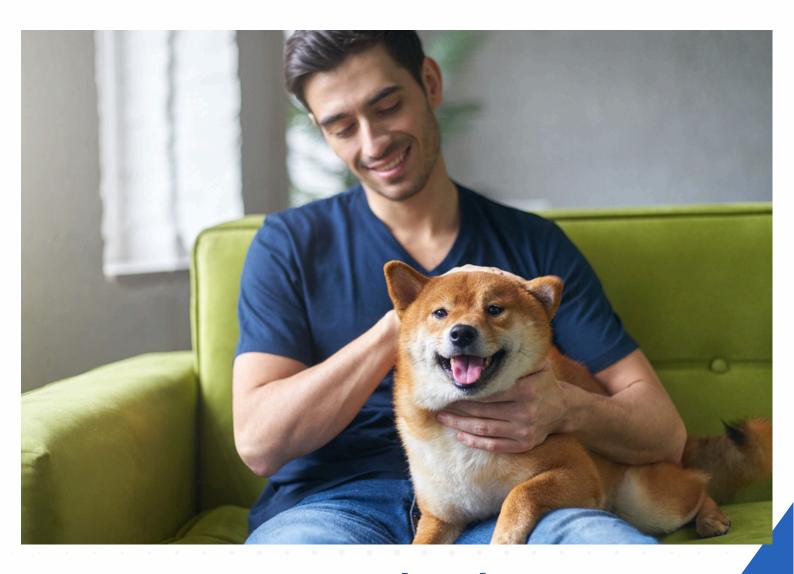
Life-Hacks All Pet Owners Need To Know



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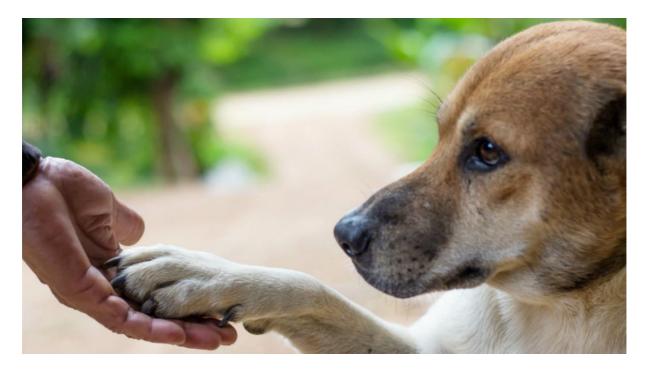
Owning a pet is a rewarding yet challenging experience that requires creativity, resourcefulness, and smart solutions to common problems. This article explores essential life hacks that every pet owner should know to simplify pet care, enhance your pet's comfort, and maintain a clean and organized home. From cost-effective DIY pet toys and grooming tips to clever ways to manage pet hair and odor, these hacks are designed to save time, money, and effort while ensuring your furry friends lead a happy and healthy life. Discover practical tips to improve your bond with your pet and make daily life easier for both of you.



1. Introduction

Pets bring immense joy, companionship, and love into our lives, but being a pet owner also comes with its fair share of responsibilities. Whether you're a first-time pet parent or a seasoned pro, finding ways to make pet care more efficient and enjoyable can be a game-changer. From managing messes and keeping your pet entertained to ensuring their health and well-being, a few simple tricks can go a long way. In this article, we'll share some of the best life hacks every pet owner needs to know. These tips will not only save you time and effort but also strengthen the bond between you and your furry, feathered, or scaly friend. Let's dive into these practical and innovative solutions to make your pet-parenting journey smoother and more rewarding!

2. Easiest Tricks to Teach Your Dog Today



Finding new tricks to teach your dog is a healthy habit. It gives them stimulating mental and physical challenges—and a fetching opportunity to spend time with you.

Teaching all dogs new tricks

Whether you have a brand new puppy or an older pooch, it's important to know how to train a dog. Some dog commands can be used for adorable tricks, like shaking your hand or giving a fist bump, while others can be used for obedience and safety, keeping your dog calm and well behaved in busy public places. It's simple enough to learn how to teach a dog to fetch, but some dog tricks can require more complicated training. To take the pressure off, we've rounded up the easiest tricks to teach your dog.

Learning how to train an older dog with new tricks is a little easier than learning how to train a puppy, but with the proper steps, consistent practice and positive reinforcement, your dog will be doing tricks in no time.

Nose bump

For one of the easier tricks to teach your dog, here's a fun canine version of the fist bump. Jessica Ring, certified dog trainer and owner of My Fantastic Friend dog training, recommends these steps.

Step 1: Tuck a smelly treat under your thumb and hold your open palm about one inch away from your dog's nose.

- Step 2: Hold still and wait for your pup to bump your hand with their nose.
- Step 3: Say "Yes!" the instant their nose touches your palm. Then give one of the best dog treats with your other hand.
- Step 4: After several successful bumps, remove the treat from under your thumb and try again with an empty hand. Gradually present your hand farther away so your dog has to take some steps to get to it.
- Step 5: Add the cue "touch" before presenting your hand.

Chill

Easy tricks to teach your dog that will also help them chill out? Yes, please. Here's how Ring does it.

- Step 1: Start with your dog in the down position.
- Step 2: Wait for any tiny head movement toward the floor. Immediately say "Yes!" to mark the movement, then deliver a treat on the floor.
- Step 3: Repeat until your dog has caught on and is deliberately lowering their head. Over time, wait for movements that are gradually closer to the floor until your dog is consistently touching their chin on the floor.
- Step 4: Next, add a split second of duration before saying "Yes!" and giving the treat. Add more and more duration until they're resting their chin on the floor. The secret is to always offer the treat close to the floor.

If your dog struggles to learn this command, or to calm down in general, that could be a sign your dog may need obedience training.

Ring a bell to go potty



Whether or not your dog is one of the easiest dogs to train, this is one of the most handy tricks to teach your dog because sometimes, you're too distracted and don't pick up your pup's potty cues. Colleen Demling Riley, a certified dog trainer and canine behaviorist at Pawtopia, instructs her pet parent clients to try these steps.

Step 1: Put a treat between the door and the bell. Your dog will ring the bell with their nose as they attempt to eat the treat.

Step 2: When your dog does ring the bell, offer praise, open the door, walk outside, give your pup the treat, then repeat. This step should be practiced in three-minute sessions, three times a day, for three days.

Step 3: After the third day, wait until it's potty time and then take your pup to the door and put your hand near the bell. When your dog rings it, take them outside to potty. If they go, offer praise and treats. If they don't go, bring them back inside. They aren't allowed to play or go on a walk. This will help your pup learn that the bell is only to be used to go potty and not for another reason.

Shake paws

This is a classic easy dog trick. It also helps your dog get used to having its paw touched—like for clipping nails. To try the trick for yourself, Riley says to follow these steps. And remember, consistency and positive reinforcement are the biggest dog training secrets.

Step 1: Hide treats or a toy in your closed fist.

Step 2: Place your closed fist near your pup's paws and wait. They will normally try to lick your hand first but will eventually use their paw. When that happens, say the word "shake," give them the reward, lots of praise and then repeat. Make sure not to say the word "shake" until they paw your hand. If you say shake over and over while your hand is being licked, they will think that "shake" actually means "lick."

Step 3: Keep practice sessions to less than five minutes. After a week of daily practice, remove the treat or toy and put your empty hand by their leg and say "shake." When they put a paw on your hand, offer praise and a treat.

Leg weave

Wondering how much exercise your pup really needs each day? If it's more than they're currently getting, try sneaking in some exercise to your trick training. It's worth the effort. Here's how Liz Claflin, dog trainer and director of operations at Zoom Room, says to start.

Step 1: Tuck several treats into the fist of your right hand. Stand with your dog on your left side.

Step 2: Step out with your right leg and bend your right knee. Reach your right hand under your leg from the outside of your body and in, toward your dog.

Step 3: Encourage your dog to approach your hand with the treats and smell them, then lure your dog under your leg to your right side.

Step 4: Switch the treats to your left hand, lunge with your left leg and reach your hand under your thigh and toward your dog, just as before.

Step 5: Repeat, lunging your way across the room.

Say hi!

Teaching your dog to wave hello is a pretty impressive dog trick to show off at the dog park. It's also one of the cutest dog behaviors! Some dogs might struggle with dog tricks like this one, but Claflin says that with consistency, patience and lots praise, your pup will be waving in no time.

Step 1: Ask your dog to shake. As they move the paw toward your hand, quickly pull your hand away.

Step 2: As soon as your dog starts to put its paw back down, immediately move your hand in front of him again as if you want them to shake, with the goal of your dog doing two pumps of the paw.

Step 3: If successful, immediately offer a treat.

While you're prepping your pup to socialize at the dog park with this trick, also learn why do dogs bark at other dogs.

Spin

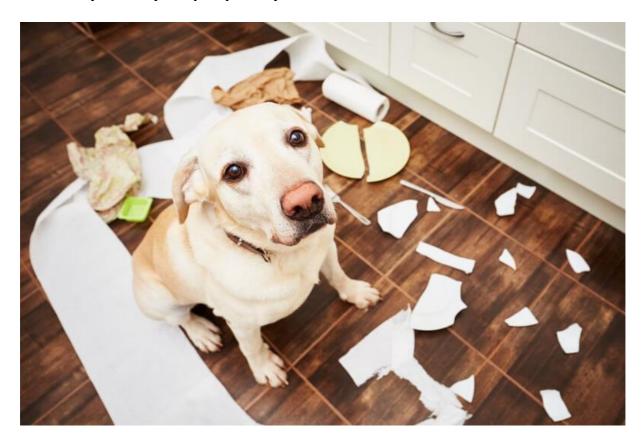
Here's another favorite trick from Claflin: the spin. If your dog is one of the hardest dogs to train, remember to stay patient and keep trying until they get it.

Step 1: Take a favorite treat pinched between your thumb and pointer finger and make sure your dog smells it.

Step 2: Have your dog in front of you and lower the treat near their nose and slowly lure them in a big circle. Once your dog completes the spin, reward with a lot of praise and the treat.

Step 3: Once they have successfully spun in a circle two or three times and no longer appear confused, add in your command. Say "Spin!" in a happy tone of voice one time just as you start to lure your dog around in the circle. Repeat.

3. Stylish ways to pet-proof your home



We love our pets. We love our homes. But sometimes, these two things can be at odds with each other. Pets are infamous for their love of scratching, rolling in mud (and then on your lounge), burrowing into spaces they're not meant to be in, and that's all the more reason to pet proof your home in Brisbane.

In fact, pet lovers nationwide are reporting a high prevalence of pet-ty crime from their furry friends when left home alone. According to new research commissioned by Ring, the smart home security company, a whopping 83% of pet owners reported acts of mischief, with canine crimes outweighing feline felonies. This is costing Aussies millions in repairs each year – \$222 million for dog-owning households and \$153 million for cat-owning households.

So when your home is your castle – and your dog is your best friend – how do you ensure the two play nicely?

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1. Pet-proof your upholstery

You love your nubuck leather sofa... and so does your Great Dane, who slobbers all over it as he sleeps. When you have pets, it pays to choose your fabrics wisely.

For cats, velvet fabric works well. Cats don't tend to scratch it as much, so they won't ruin it! Ultrasuede and microfibre, similarly, aren't great for cats to scratch, and they're easy to clean.

Leather is a great option for dogs, too, as it doesn't soak up smells or attract hair. Scratches can usually be buffed out, too.

As much as possible, choose fabrics in colours that match your pet. A white couch with a black lab? It's probably not going to work.

It's also wise to invest in a durable blanket for your lounge – you can put it under your pet while they relax on the sofa. And always choose cushions and sofas that have slipcovers, so you can remove and clean them when necessary!

2. Pet-proof your rugs

Grace Bonney of Design Sponge has a great tip when it comes to rugs: choose an indooroutdoor rug, in a material like sisal or seagrass.

These rugs are more durable than straight indoor styles, and can handle deep cleaning well (they're also UV-protected, if your house gets a lot of natural light).

Go for low-pile rugs (soft, fluffy rugs are like magnets for curious claws) and stick to dark colours in small patterns. Big patterns allow a lot of exposed, solid colour to show, making stains seem more visible.

If you've invested in a beautiful rug you're worried your new pet might destroy, why not hang it on the wall instead, and choose a sturdier or washable floor rug?

3. Pet-proof your walls



Between their slobber, dirty fur and rogue paws, pets can damage walls quicker than you can say "Grab the Ajax!"

Choose a paint finish in semi-gloss, will be easier to wipe down that other paints in a matte finish.

4. Pet-proof your shelving

Open shelving and pets don't often mix, especially if you have a new puppy or kitten (known for their love of exploring!). "If something is chewed or ruined, it's because you have given your pet that opportunity," reminds Dr Katrina. "Remove any dangerous or tempting items from their reach, including toxic plants, electrical cords, and valuables."

Invest in closed shelving as much as possible, to keep knick-knacks away from curious paws and mouths.

5. Pet-proof your flooring

Wall-to-wall carpet is plush and comfortable, but probably not the best choice for pet owners.

Instead, go for more durable flooring choices, like tiles, polished concrete and hardwood. These are much easier to clean and won't attract fur.

Arm yourself with a heavy-duty vacuum cleaner that is designed to pick-up pet hair.

6. Pet-proof your legs

Table legs, that is. Cats love scratching and dogs love chewing, but cat trees and dog toys can be pretty hideous to look at. In fact, Dr Katrina says chewing could be something we have to deal with for a fair while. "Chewing is natural for puppies and most will grow out of chewing everything by about 12 months but some dogs will chew items for life."

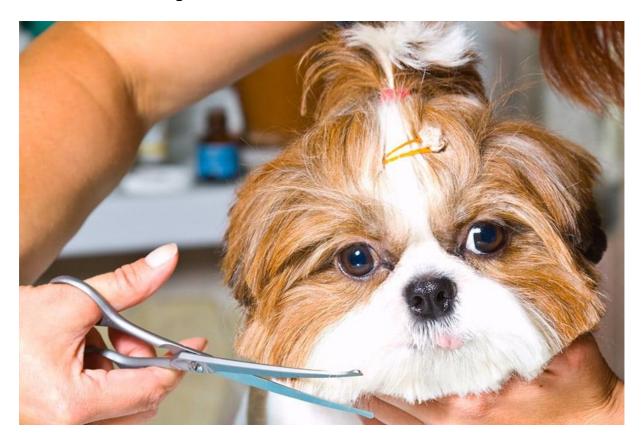
Instead, protect your table and chair legs by wrapping sisal rope around them – your cat can use these to scratch against, and you'll also protect the wood itself.

7. Invest in pet supervision while you're out

We can't always be home to keep a watchful eye over our pups (as much as we'd like to be!), so the answer for you may be pet supervision technology like the Ring Pan-Tilt Indoor Camera to give you the peace of mind to check in on your furry friend at home, no matter where you are.

With over plenty of pet owners in Brisbane feelings anxious when they're away from their pets, the use of smart home tech, like indoor cameras, can provide a reassuring window back home.

4. Secrets of Dog Groomers



Many a bad fur day has been averted by dog groomers. The people holding the shears at your local pet salon are experts in keeping pups looking neat, but beautification is just one part of the job. Dog groomers are also versed in handling difficult personalities—both from the four-legged clients and their owners. We spoke to three groomers working across the Brisbane. about the most challenging breeds to groom, their tricks for handling difficult customers, and other hairy aspects of the profession.

1. There are many routes to dog grooming.

Technically, dog groomers don't need any license or certification to operate in the Brisbane Regardless of the law, most groomers complete training before they start working professionally. According to Page Petravich, a groomer at Ravenswoof in Chicago, there are many paths to take. "There's no one place where you can get credentials to become a groomer," he tells Mental Floss. "There are countless seminars and workshops that can provide certificates of education and things like that, but the main way people learn about grooming is through grooming academies."

Grooming academy courses typically last six months to a year, and after completing the curriculum, graduates receive a certificate. Some groomers forgo formal classes altogether and learn through apprenticeships. Unless your groomer has a license or certificate displayed on their wall, the only way to know their credentials is to ask.

2. Small dogs can be the most challenging to groom.

Every groomer has a dog breed that makes them tense up when they see it come through the door. For Nicholas Vanet, a groomer at Island Pet Resort in Staten Island, New York, that breed is huskies. "Huskies are the ones that always cry for help," he tells Mental Floss. "I could be washing the dog, and they'll be screaming like I'm taking scissors and poking him." Despite their quirks, he still has a soft spot for the vocal breed. "These dogs are probably the biggest drama queens I know, but they're the best. I still love them."

For Kimberly Ives, a groomer at Puff & Fluff in Phoenix, Arizona, terror comes in a smaller package. She tells Mental Floss, "You can never predict a Chihuahua. They could be the sweetest Chihuahua and they could be the most stubborn Chihuahua that will turn and bite your finger off."

3. Dog groomers also have to deal with the occasional cat.

Though dogs can be difficult customers, canine clients are rarely as misbehaved as felines. Cats don't show up at the pet salon that often, but when they do, groomers are in for a challenge. "They're not like dogs. Cats just want to be left alone," Vanet says. "You must have two people to groom a cat, because if you are by yourself it is impossible."

4. Peanut butter is a dog groomer's best friend.

When a dog would rather be anywhere other than getting a trim, groomers have a trick for boosting their mood. "If the dog doesn't have allergies and it is OK-ed by the pet parent, a couple of people at my salon like to use peanut butter or a treat as a form of positive reinforcement for doing nails, or really doing anything [the dogs] don't want to do," Petravich says.

For Vanet, peanut butter comes in handy during bath time. "When I give them a bath and they're trying to move around a lot, I actually take peanut butter and I put it on the wall," he says. "[I use] a little toy type of thing that I keep against the wall, and they start licking it to distract them from moving."

5. Dog groomers dread shaving poodles

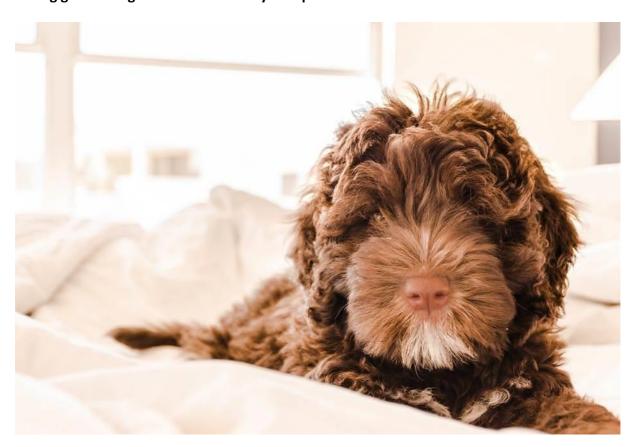
Some breeds are difficult to groom because of the type of haircut required, not their temperament. A classic French poodle cut—with poofs of fur and a shaved face and legs—is a groomer's worst nightmare. According to Petravich, "There are a lot of breed standard haircuts for poodles, like the one you see in dog shows which is called a Historically Correct Continental—it's very difficult to execute." That type of haircut is rarely asked for, but many poodle owners still want their dogs' feet and faces shaved—which can be harrowing. "It takes a lot of patience and a lot of practice," he says. "You have to be very careful going in between the toes."

6. The number of dogs they groom in a day varies.

Because the size of a grooming job depends on the animal, many groomers don't know how busy their day will be until they get to work. "When I come in I'll review my schedule and just kind of see overall what my schedule looks like for the day," Ives says. "I see whether I have big dogs, little dogs, and mentally prepare myself for what I'm going to be dealt with today."

According to Petravich, scheduling a full day of grooming can be a complicated process. "If I have four large doodles come in, I'll pretty much be only grooming those doodles all day, but if I have four smaller dogs like shih tzus or little schnauzers, I can usually do those plus some larger dogs," he says. "So everything is dependent upon how big they are, how long the coat is, the kind of haircut that they want, the temperament of the dog, and really how much I can do in an eight-hour day."

7. Dog groomers get some unusual style requests.



Pet owners often come in requesting looks that aren't always taught at grooming academies. "The mullet—that's actually a popular trend right now," Ives says. Petravich, meanwhile, has received "quite a few mohawk requests."

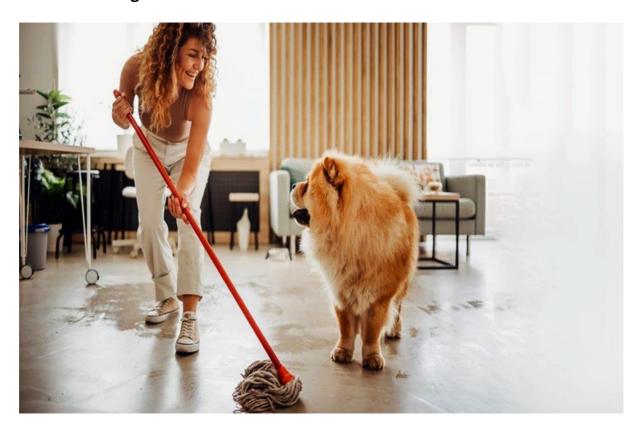
Sometimes, the most bizarre jobs groomers are given are what they're asked not to do. "A lot of people like to let the eyelashes grow on goldendoodles, which believe it or not can

grow up to like 6 inches," Petravich says. "It gets to a point where we have to cut them just a little shorter so they can eat without their eyelashes getting in their food."

8. Dog groomers have strategies for short-haired pups, too.

Owners of naturally short-haired dogs may think they can skip the groomers, but these pets can still benefit from a professional haircut. When grooming Chihuahuas, labs, and pugs, groomers rely on a method called carding. Using a small comb, they brush out the dog's undercoat so the smooth top coat lays flat. In addition to giving the dog a neater look, carding also removes the small hairs that dogs are more likely to shed.

5. Cleaning Hacks for Pet Owners



There's no doubt that our pets bring unconditional love into our lives—but they often bring a mess into our homes, too. Whether they're shedding on the furniture or tracking in muddy paw prints, keeping a house clean while living with pets can feel like a never-ending battle. And let's not forget their distinct aroma, especially when they're overdue for a bath.

Luckily, there are plenty of simple cleaning hacks that every pet owner can implement to keep their home as pristine as possible. Trying even a few on this list will improve the look, feel, and smell of your space, though we recommend making them all a habit so you (and your pets) can enjoy a cleaner home.

Remove Pet Hair Like a Pro

Even short-haired dogs and cats can leave fur all over your home. The key is to catch it as soon as you see it clinging to the couch, carpet, baseboards, or any other surface in your home. Try these techniques using everyday items to tackle pet hair with ease.

Clean your furniture with rubber gloves: Run a damp rubber glove over upholstered furniture. Hair will stick to it, collecting in clumps you can easily pick up. It's a quick, free, and satisfying way to clean pet hair from couches, chairs, and benches.

Grab a shower squeegee: The same tool you use to dry glass shower doors or clean windows can also remove pet hair from carpets and rugs. Drag a squeegee across the top to pull out tuffs of hair, making it much easier to vacuum up.

Collect fur with dryer sheets: If you haven't yet tried using dryer sheets to clean your home, you're missing out. From baseboards to furniture, dryer sheets not only remove dust, hair, and debris, but their wax coating actually assists in fending it off in the future. So long as they're safe to use around pets, try running a scented dryer sheet along areas where their hair tends to collect to leave a lingering sweet smell behind.

Use a lint roller: Not just for laundry, a lint roller can remove piles of pet hair in the blink of an eye. Simply roll it along any surface, hard or soft, where you notice pet hair gathering.

Fight Funky Odors

Sure, your pet's little head and furry toes might not bother you, but sometimes, pets can downright smell. While a bath or fresh litter box might be in order, there are a few other ways to cut down on odors in the house.

Use baking soda: Baking soda is a multi-purpose cleaner that can be used to scrub almost anything in your home—but it also acts as a natural odor neutralizer. Sprinkle it over carpets, rugs, and your pet's bedding. Let it sit for 15–20 minutes, then vacuum the powder (and the smell!) right up.

Reach for activated charcoal: Another odor absorber, activated charcoal, can leave even the stinkiest spots (think your sneakers after a workout) smelling fresh and clean. Use it to curb pet odors by leaving small bags of activated charcoal in areas where odors linger, like litter boxes or pet beds in Brisbane.

Say 'So Long' to Stains

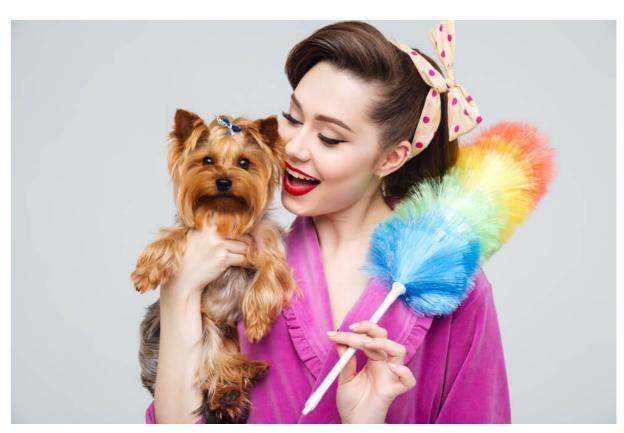
Whether you're house-training a new puppy or dealing with a sick pet, accidents are bound to happen. Employing the right products and addressing them immediately is the key to keeping stains (and their subsequent odors) at bay.

Embrace enzymes: Enzyme-based cleaners are ideal for pet messes because they break down the proteins that cause both odors and stains. They also neutralize smells, preventing your pet from having a repeat accident in the same spot. Always keep a bottle on hand and follow the instructions to remove the mishap as soon as you notice it.

Mix a vinegar solution: Like baking soda, white vinegar is a powerful, non-toxic way to clean your home from top to bottom. To eradicate pet stains from most surfaces, blot or wipe as much as possible with a clean, dry cloth. Then, spray equal parts vinegar and water directly onto the area. Let it sit for ten minutes before blotting or wiping again. Not only will the vinegar clean the stain, it will also neutralize any residual odor.

Clean with hydrogen peroxide: Yet another pantry staple, hydrogen peroxide will go toe to toe with even the most stubborn pet stains. Combine it with baking soda and a small amount of mild soap (like Dawn dish soap) to create a paste. Add it directly to the soiled area and let it sit for ten to thirty minutes, depending on the severity of the stain. After the fizzy action has done its job, rinse the solution away and pat dry.

Preventative Cleaning Measures for Pet Owners



Preventing pet hair pileups, stains, and smells will go a long way in keeping your home clean and reducing your cleaning efforts. In fact, preventative measures are just as important as addressing active messes. Plus, it's healthier for your pets and allows them to thrive.

Invest in furniture covers: Machine-washable covers or throws for couches, chairs, and beds are a game changer. If you haven't invested yet, you'll be amazed at how much time and elbow grease you'll save once you do. Simply toss them onto the furniture where your pets commonly lay, then toss them in the washer at least once a week to keep them fresh and smelling clean.

Wash toys frequently: The blankets and stuffies they cuddle with daily should be washed regularly in hot water (and a pet-friendly detergent) to prevent odor, bacteria, and dirt from building up. Either hand wash their hard toys, like rubber chews, or run them through the dishwasher on the top rack using pet-safe soap.

Sanitize food and water bowls: Just as we wash our dishes after every meal, our pets deserve fresh bowls too. Wash them daily with hot, soapy water or in the dishwasher to prevent bacteria and germs and keep them sanitary for your precious pet in Brisbane.

Wipe paws frequently: Leave a container of wipes or a rag near your entryway so you can quickly clean your pet's paws after each outdoor adventure. Getting into this habit prevents dirt, mud, and more from being tracked inside, meaning you'll spend less time cleaning the floors.

Groom regularly: Brushing your pet regularly can reduce shedding and prevent hair from spreading throughout your home. Short-haired pets may require a quick brush once weekly, whereas long-haired breeds can benefit from daily grooming sessions. Trimming your pet's nails is also important, as long nails can scratch floors and furniture. Regular nail maintenance not only protects your surfaces but also your skin from their playful scratches.

6. Moving With Pets: A Guide To A Smooth Transition



Relocating home is a huge transition for the entire family, especially your beloved pets. Whether it's a dog, cat or any other pet, moving with them is quite challenging.

They may become anxious during the process because they are being uprooted from their familiar surroundings and taken to a new and unfamiliar location. This will make it difficult to focus on packing and moving chores, leading to delays and unnecessary stress.

Being a responsible pet parent, make sure you take care of your furry friend and make them feel comfortable while preparing for a smooth transition.

You can also hire best Removalists Brisbane for a stress-free experience. If you are moving with pets for the first time, consider this comprehensive guide shared below. We have compiled all the key aspects to help you relocate with your beloved pet in the most organised way.

Let's Get Started!

What are the Signs of Stress in Pets When Relocating Home?



Like humans, pets such as cats and dogs are also sensitive, and they can also feel the stress of home relocation. It is important to watch out for their triggering signs and combat them as quickly as possible.

Increased aggression

- Unusual Submissive behaviour
- Excessive vocalisation
- Loss of Appetite
- Hiding or restlessness
- Excessive Drooling.

It is good to visit the vet in Brisbane and spend quality time without changing their routine.

A Guide to a Smooth Transition When Moving with Pets

Whether you are moving locally or across a new state, follow these tips and tricks and make your transition as smooth as possible with pets:

Before the Move

Create a Moving Plan in Advance

The planning strategy slightly tweaks when relocating with dogs and cats. It is good to start the preparations as early as possible to avoid last-minute chaos, as you have to take care of your pets as well.

From prepping your pet for this big change to updating the new address, packing household belongings, to visiting the vet, you have to manage everything to avoid delays.

Create a proper moving timeline, keeping your furry friend in mind, and stay organised throughout the process. This can even help you manage your solo move. So, create a checklist and timeline for achievable results.

Visit the Veterinarian

This is crucial, especially if your pet is feeling sick or anxious due to the change in their routine. You can schedule a check-up with your vet and ensure your furry friend is healthy for travelling.

Collect all their medical records and ask for genuine referrals in the new location.

Explore the New Home First

If possible, you can bring your pet to the new home before moving. This enables them to explore the new environment, especially a new abode, neighbourhood and park so that they feel at home when you move with the entire family. This can help alleviate stress on the actual relocation day.

Book Trained Removalists

Pets, especially dogs, don't like changes to their routine. So, it becomes imperative to feed them on time, take your pet for a walk or play with them to keep them happy and comfortable.

If you are concerned about the packing or relocation of your belongings, book highly-trained and reliable Removalists Brisbane. They will take care of your items and ensure a smooth transition without giving you a hint of stress. This will also help you incorporate self care when preparing for a move.

Update Pet's Identification

Do not forget to update the identification tag on your pet. Make sure they have microchipped and have a collar with an updated I.D. tag containing the new address and contact details.

This plays a pivotal role in case your pet gets lost during or after the relocation to the new place. You can track them and reconnect with your four-legged friend.

Pack Their Belongings

After packing your household belongings, you can start wrapping your pet's essentials without disturbing their comfort. Take at least two to three packing boxes and pack the following items:

- Medications
- D. tags
- Vaccine records
- Pet bowls
- Blankets
- Treats
- Food dishes
- Kitty litter
- Waste bags
- A blanket

A few of their favourite toys

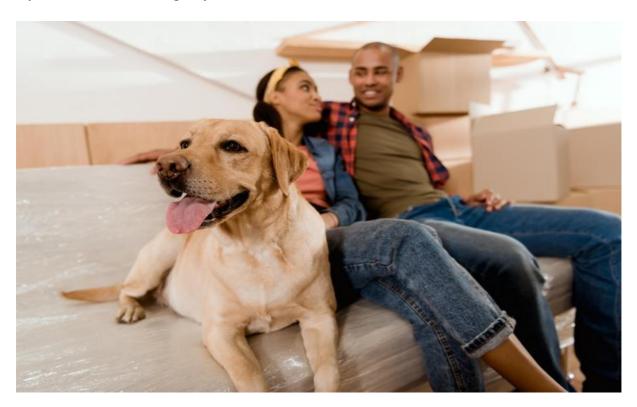
Buy a Crate or Carrier For a Comfortable Travelling

The best and safest way to relocate pets is in a carrier or crate. If you don't have one, buy a sturdy carrier before the final moving day.

You can place blankets or plant toys and treats to give them a happy ambience.

It is good to keep the door open for a couple of weeks before moving to get them used to it. Make sure you transport dogs and cats carefully without causing any injury.

Tips for the Final Moving Day



It is good to plan things ahead of time so that you can stay relaxed on the moving day.

Look for a Safe Place for your Pet

Keep your pet safe in the hustle of your move by restricting their movement. It is good to keep them in a quiet and safe room- away from boxes, sharp objects and heavy furniture items to avoid injuries.

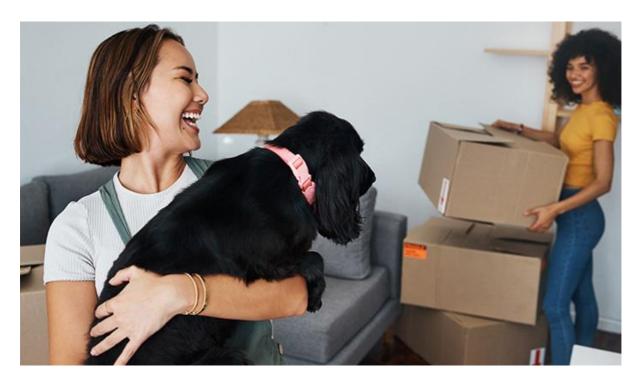
Stick to the same Routine

Make sure you maintain the regular feeding and walking schedule of your pet to alleviate their stress level. It is because moving can affect dog, cats and other pets and sticking to the same routine can help them stay mentally stable.

Use Calming Products

You can use pheromone sprays or supplements to reduce the anxiety or discomfort level in your pet.

Move Pets in Your Personal Vehicle



It is always good to travel with your cats, dogs and pets because they love your company. Put them in a carrier along with their favourite toys and treats and take care of them throughout the journey.

If you are hiring professional removalists Brisbane, they will take care of your possessions and transit them smoothly to a new location.

Conclusion

Being a pet owner is a journey filled with love, joy, and countless unforgettable moments. However, it also requires patience, care, and ingenuity to overcome daily challenges. By incorporating these life hacks into your routine, you can simplify pet care, enhance your pet's quality of life, and create a harmonious environment for both of you. From clever cleaning tips to budget-friendly solutions for playtime and health, these hacks empower you to focus on what truly matters: the bond you share with your beloved pet. Embrace these ideas, and watch your life as a pet parent become more organized, enjoyable, and fulfilling. After all, a happy pet means a happy you!

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