

# Ride Hailing and Pets

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**Are pets allowed on ride hailing services like Uber and Lyft? In general, it is the driver's decision to allow or ban pets in their car. Here are RideGuru's suggestions on what to do if you want to travel with your pet.**

1. **Call the driver ahead of time.** As soon as you request your ride and your driver is on their way, contact that driver and ask if it is okay if you bring your pet along for the ride. That way, if you're not allowed to, you can cancel the request within the allotted time period. Provide details as to the size and breed of your dog so you'll give your driver more information.
2. **Show off your well-behaved dog.** Make your driver feel more comfortable by having your dog sit nicely beside you before your Uber or Lyft driver arrives.
3. **Bring a towel or blanket.** Many drivers take pride in their clean cars, and a towel or blanket to ensure that your dog won't shed on or dirty their seats improves your chance for a ride.
4. **Bring a carrier, if possible.** If your pet is small enough to fit in a carrier, bring one! Most drivers have no problems with giving a lift to a pet in a carrier.
5. **Tip and rate nicely.** If your driver is happy to give your pet a ride, make sure to show them you appreciate it with a generous tip and a good rating on the app.

