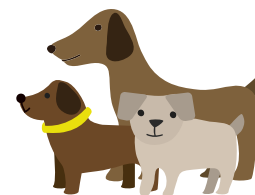


# Checklist



## → Flying

- Does the airline require a Health Certificate? Yes/No
  - If YES, find out how close to the departure date do you need to get the Health Certificate done? For example, no more than 5-days, 7-days, 10 days before the departure date.
    - Make an appointment with the veterinarian to get an exam and the health certificate completed within this timeframe.
    - Bring with you to the veterinarian the Rabies Certificate, the address of where the dog is coming from (your home address) and the address of where the dog will be staying in Mexico. Also the Microchip number for your dog.
- Contact the airline to make sure the reservation includes your dog. Pay the extra fee for bringing the dog either in the cabin or in the cargo area.
- Check to see if the airline has a specific “airline form” that needs to be completed if you are traveling with a dog
- Check the Rabies Certificate to make sure it will not expire anytime around the travel dates.
- Make sure either the Health Certificate or Rabies Certificate has the **dog’s name, the type of breed your dog is, and how old he/she is**. The OISA officer in Mexico will need this information for their paperwork.
  - The OISA officer will need to address of where you and the dog are staying in Mexico. If this is not included on the Health Certificate, please have the address written down to show to the OISA officer.
- Is your dog carrier “airline compliant”? Which means (for inside the cabin) it must be of a soft material and within a certain height and width in order to fit under the seat in front of you. Check your airline for specific dimensions.

## → Packing For Your Dog

- Bring a small portable water bowl for your dog. Buy a bottle of water once inside the airport. Your pup will be grateful, especially once you land in Mexico.
- It is OK to bring a small amount of dog food inside your checked luggage. Mexico just does not want folks importing a large amount of dog food. They want us to purchase food in country.
- Old sheet to cover any furniture where your dog tends go and lay down.
- Favorite toy from home.
- Sturdy leash and harness.
- Motion sickness remedy (optional)
- Medications and supplements



## → **Cleaning**

- Waste removal bags
- Puppy pads (optional)
- Water-based Wipes for the dog's paws, especially after a walk
- Grooming brush

## → **General**

A Rabies booster is the only vaccine requirement Mexico has. However, we dog-lovers want to keep our furry friends healthy. This is especially true when traveling to another country. Mexico has a lot of street dogs who are not vaccinated or treated for parasites.

Therefore, keep your dog current on vaccines such as Bordetella, Canine Influenza, DHPP Booster (K9 Distemper) and a parasite prevention medication.

Regarding the dog's ID Tag worn on the collar - put your email address not a phone number. If your dog gets lost and someone finds him/her... they probably cannot call a U.S. or Canadian phone number. However, everyone can send an email at no cost to them. Just something to keep in mind. =8-)