

KESSLER KENNEL BOARDER CHECKLIST

- **Office Hours: 7:30A – 10:30A or 3:30P – 6:00P**

- PAYMENT DUE AT DROP OFF
- An **AM** drop off paired with a **PM** pick up incurs a half day additional charge

- **Boarding Agreement and Medical Release Form**

- **Proof of vaccinations:** Dogs will need proof of a current rabies, bordetella and H3N2 influenza vaccine. Cats will need proof of a current rabies vaccine. We require written proof of a rabies vaccination, and your pet's license won't be enough. It's easiest to have your veterinarian email (kesslerkennel@gmail.com) or fax (860 413 9883) the vaccine records prior to drop off.
- **Medications, treatments, and supplements:** Any medications your pet will need while at the kennel from monthly flea and tick treatments to antibiotics, you'll have to pack up, label, and provide to the kennel. Calming collars or treatments might also be useful, to help your pet adjust to their new temporary surrounding. All treatments are administered at no extra cost. There is a small fee for insulin injections.
- **Bedding:** Your pet will be much happier on their own favorite blanket or bed. No towels, comforters or couch beds. Please only bring bedding that can be deconstructed and fit into a standard sized washing machine. For dogs that shred bedding, we supply kennel decking to keep them comfortable. If you choose not to bring bedding from home, we have plenty of blankets to accommodate our guests.
- **Toys:** Likewise, your pet's favorite toys will keep them occupied while indoors. All toys will be itemized at check in and kept in your pet's kennel for their enjoyment.
- **Food:** We will feed your pets according to your instructions, wet or dry, prescription diet, or raw food, treats, etc. Please label the side of canned food and not the lid. Bagging meal portions in zip-lock bags will ensure your pet will get exactly the right amount each time, and will help to gauge how much food to bring for the stay. Please, no rawhide.

- * **NEW: Spay and Neuter Policy**

Kessler Kennel Farms requires all dogs over 8 months old to be spayed or neutered to enjoy playgroup. Intact dogs (both males and females) can disrupt a peaceful play environment due to aggressive play, humping, dominant behavior or being targeted by other dogs who smell their hormones. We understand the philosophy of waiting to be spayed or neutered for health reasons. Please be aware that Kessler Kennel Farms might have to have your pup in an alternate play yard if they are intact.

- * **NEW: Special Needs and Geriatric Boarding Policy**

Kessler Kennel Farms is not staffed 24-hours per day and thus is not suitable for animals in need of intensive care. Staff is on site roughly 7am - 7pm daily. All dogs with health concerns, and many dogs over the age of 10 depending on their condition, will be boarded at the kennel manager's discretion especially during high volume times. Please take into consideration your pet's ease of mobility, general attitude and demeanor, stress levels, appetite, potty habits (incontinence, etc.) and willingness to receive medication. The kennel manager may decide your pet is not suitable for boarding. A pet-sitter or alternate arrangement may be in your pet's best interest.