

What to do if you lose your pet....

 The first 24 – 48 hours are the most important in the search for your pet. If your pet is not retrieved within the first 48 hours, your chance of getting them back is cut in half. Therefore, you should have an aggressive plan in place before they go missing. Take good pictures of your pet, and keep a “Lost Pet” poster on your computer ready to print at a moment’s notice. Keep a power stapler and packing tape available for hanging posters. If you know the area where your pet was lost, keep looking, do not give up. Be assertive. Ask people you see in the area and leave your phone number with nearby service stations, restaurants and grocery stores.

 Collar and tag. This is the easiest and simplest way that pets are returned. Some people say that you should not put the name of the pet on the collar, as that breeds familiarity with whomever finds it and lessens the chance that they may want to return it. When we put a tag on a pet, it only states “REWARD” and the phone number. Use a cell phone number that you can carry with you as you search. Most Walmart’s have a machine near the front doors that will etch a tag while you wait. Some websites sell tags that can be scanned into any cell phone.

 Microchip. If a pet is not micro chipped, the chances of retrieving the pet is increased by 250%. Micro chipped animals are returned at more than twice the rate as those without a chip. We offer universal chipping for \$25 without any renewal fees. The chip can be tracked back to you anytime and anywhere.

 Social Media. Find a “Lost and Found” pet site for your area on Facebook. Also, use Craig’s List to list your missing pet. When using Craig’s List, re-list your pet at least 2 or 3 times a week and use different geographical areas, as Craig’s List is not very specific. There are other lost pet sites as well.

Do not ever list a pet on Craig’s List if you are trying to find a home for it, as Craig’s List is notoriously trolled by dog-fighters and other people up to no good.

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