

Preparing for your Stay at The Barking Birch Pet Lodge

Going on vacation? Heading out of town for a bit? Your pet will be well cared for at The Barking Birch. This checklist will help you pack their bags for a fun-filled vacation of their own!

What You'll Need:

Vaccinations

All our four-legged guests are required to be up to date on their Rabies, Bordetella, and Distemper vaccinations. Bordetella, if not current, needs to be administered seven days prior to visiting. Please bring a copy of their vaccinations to us on arrival, or you call your vet and request they send us a copy. Guests are required to be spayed or neutered if over the age of eight months of age and be in good health with no fleas or lice.

Collar

While staying at the Barking Birch, we ask that our guest wear a collar. This helps our staff get to know your pup and helps us keep the pack (human and canine) safe during group play.

Food

With all the playtime they're about to have, your pooch will work up an appetite! Keeping them on their own food helps reduce tummy aches and prevents them from feeling sick. We also have refrigerator space for those who need their food stored in the fridge. Our staff provides food and water bowls which are cleaned and sanitized after every meal. We do ask that you try not to bring more food than the dog needs during his or her stay.

Bedding

We provide raised beds, but we recommend bringing their bedding from home to help them feel more comfortable. Please limit bedding to small, washable rugs, pillow pads, and blankets. If it's your pet's first time staying at our resort, you might sleep in a t-shirt the night before and bring it with, so your pet has something with your scent.

Medication

We'll administer any medications our guests require at no additional cost. Remember to bring any medications and instructions that your dog may need. If your pet requires a snack to hide their meds, please bring this as well. We have plenty of refrigerator space to store any necessary meds—as well as the cheese to hide it!

Treats and Toys

You may want to bring your dog's favorite treats or bones along to help them settle in—that's no problem! You can bring a few of their favorite toys and any of their preferred snacks; however, we don't allow rawhides. We will keep your pet's toys in their suite, so they don't have to share during group play.