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PetStay

Dog Carer



PetStay - Who are we?



Established in 2005 by MD Carole Davy when she struggled to find suitable care for her two cocker spaniels whilst she was on holiday. Knowing a kennels would be extremely stressful and they would benefit from home boarding where all of their usual routines would be followed, and they would get the same amount of love and attention, PetStay was born!

PetStay provides exclusive home dog boarding where our guest dogs are matched to their perfect carer and then stay in their carers homes. It is PetStays policy that we do not mix dogs from different households or walk dogs off the lead.

How does PetStay work?

We take stringent details of the guest dog and then match them to their perfect carer, a meeting between the carer, customers, and their dog is then arranged to ensure all parties are happy. If the meeting is a success, then a booking will be made!

All of our customers drop their dogs off at an agreed date and time, with all of their dogs' food/treats/bedding/medication/toys and leads, delivered with them. At this point, the customer will pay the carer their allowance in cash. The carer then looks after the dog, following the dog's routine as discussed at the meeting with the customer. We ask all of our carers to send their customers regular updates whilst their dogs are in their care, this can be a simple text message, WhatsApp picture or video. Then when the stay is over, the customer will collect their dog and all belongings, again at pre-agreed date and time.





“I am newly retired from my career as an Area Trainer to schools.

Since losing my husband in February 2021 and now living alone, I found myself needing company and someone to care for.

I decided to join PetStay to give my life purpose and to devote my love and attention to dogs. I had looked after my sons two dogs for many years and found that the love, companionship and snuggles are returned to me in abundance.”

TracyAnn





What we do...

Handle all of the bookings, insurance, and paperwork, so you don't have to worry about anything.

We are on hand 24/7 to provide support and guidance for you in every way.



What you do as a Carer...

Choose the type of dogs you love, at times to suit your lifestyle.

Get to meet lots of lovely doggies and their owners!



Provide lots and lots of cuddles!

Receive a daily allowance.

“My two grown up children wanted me to get another dog after my last one “Toots” died at the age of 15. Being the wrong side of 60, I was not prepared to commit the next 15 years to caring for another dog full time. PetStay provided me with the best of both worlds. I compare it to being a grand parent. I can give massive amounts of love, care, and consideration to the dogs in my care, and then hand them back to their owners. I get to meet a huge variety of breeds and characters, and they all make me laugh out loud.”

Adrian



FAQ's



What's required to be a carer?

You must be a genuine dog lover, have experience of looking after dogs and you need to be home during the day, so you have plenty of time to give to the dogs you are caring for. You must have a secure garden and agree to abide by PetStay guidelines. You are allowed to have a dog of your own as long as your dog gets on with other dogs.

How are carers vetted?

If you meet all the requirements listed above, we will visit you at your home. We will check the security of the garden, explain PetStay procedures and show you the guidelines each carer needs to follow. If you are happy with everything and we feel you would make a suitable PetStay carer, we would follow up a reference and arrange public liability insurance for you.

How many dogs can I look after?

Our service is on a one-to-one basis, so only dogs from the same household will stay with you. You are allowed to take up to three dogs from the same household, BUT you choose what you are happy with. We will ask you how many dogs you would like to look after and what sized dog/s you would be happy to care for.

What about walking the dogs?

All dogs should be taken out each day for walks. When you have your meeting with the owners all routines, including the number and length of walks, will be discussed. The dog is only ever walked on a lead.

Do the dogs have to be vaccinated?

Yes, each dog MUST have up to date vaccinations (some areas may require kennel cough so please check with your local branch) have been wormed and treated for fleas. Proof of the vaccinations will be brought to the meeting and shown to you.

What if the dog becomes ill?

We/you would endeavour to contact the owner or the emergency contact. The owner or the emergency contact would be liable for any expenses incurred in taking the dog to the vet. We are on hand 24/7 for support.

Do I have to provide the food?

No, the owner will bring any food or treats for the duration of the stay. Any toys, bedding, medication, and leads will also be brought.



"We became carers as we missed having dogs as part of our family but didn't want to go through the heartache of making that final decision when it was time. We enjoy being carers because we meet a variety of dogs, with great characters, it keeps us busy and it makes our house feel like a home again.

Also, it's lovely to meet all the owners."

June & Steven

"I initially became a PetStay carer because my husband wouldn't let me have more than one dog, and when I saw the advert for carers, I thought this would be my way to have another dog with the added bonus of being paid. I really love dogs and very much enjoy looking after them in my home. All my guest dogs have wonderful temperaments and get on so well with my own dog Fred, who is a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. I also really enjoy taking them on walkies, which keeps me fit, and meeting up with my regular dog walking friends, who also love being introduced to all the different doggie guests.'

Karen



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So if you....



**-LOVE DOGS-
-ARE HOME MOST OF THE DAY-
HAVE A SECURE GARDEN-**



Get in touch!

You can call us for a chat on 07983 418068 to ask any questions you may have, or alternatively email us at info@petstay.net.

If you meet the PetStay and home-dog-boarding requirements, we will then arrange to visit you at home to begin your journey as a PetStay dog carer!.