Traveling

Traveling with your furry little friend can be a fun experience; however, it requires some careful planning and a few precautions before you set out on your journey.

Mode of Travel

The best way to travel with your pet is in your own care. This way, you can control the important factors such as when you stop for eating, playing, and resting, and you also control the temperature to which your pet is exposed.

Flying with your ferret is usually not the best option unless you can take him/her in the cabin with you, since the cargo area of the plane is pressurized and heated.

When using any type of transportation, remember to have your ferret in a kennel and do not remove the ferret unless it is an emergency.

What to Bring When Traveling

- Medical Records
- Health Certificate
- Microchip Number
- Medications
- Travel Carrier
- Food and Water

Caution: NEVER let a stranger handle your ferret.

Sources:
http://baltoferretclub.com/travel.html
http://theepicenter.com/tow08036.html
http://peteducation.com/article.cfm?c=11+1296&aid=498
http://destinyink.com/spyral/animals/ferret/ferret_nutrition.html
http://baltoferretclub.com/evacuation.html

Traveling With Your Ferret
**Emergency Preparedness for Your Ferret**

- Take a close-up photo of each of your ferrets for identification
- Establish both in-state and out of state contacts. Family members should have this phone on them in case of an emergency
- Prepare emergency identification sheet for each ferret. The sheet should look similar to the next column.
- Make appointment with veterinarian to get a complete check up on your ferret. Ask for a two week supply of all medications, up dated shot records, first aid supplies.
- Prepare an evacuation bag. Using a backpack or pet carrier. Bag should include identification, medication, food and bottled water, reference book for emergency care for you ferret, leash and harness, first aid supplies, bedding, sanitizer, and other necessities.
- Place this bag near any exit.
- Prepare a bag for yourself as well
- Give a neighbor or trust friend a key to your home, in case and emergency should occur while you are not there

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**Ferret Identification and Requirements Sheet**

Place current, close-up picture of ferret here

Date prepared:_____________

Name: ______________________

Sex: ___M ___F

Spayed/Neutered: ____Yes ____No

Color: ______________________

Date of Birth/age: ______________

Health conditions: ______________

Daily Medications required and doses: ____________________________

Average weight: pounds or grams

Summer __________

Winter __________

Temperament/disposition: ______________________

Diet: (put special recipes on other side)

Dry food: ______________________

Other food:_______________________

Treats___________________________

Vaccination history: (attach vaccination certificates)

Canine distemper: ______________

Rabies: ________________________

Allergic reactions: ______________

Veterinarian: Local Contact:

Place business card here

Name: ______________________

Address:_______________________

Phone number: (   )___________

Other number: (   )___________

Cellular: (   )_______________

Out of state contact:

Name: ______________________

Address:_______________________

Phone number: (   )___________

Identification chip type & location: Other number: (   )____

Cellular: (   )_______________

Other information:_______________________

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**Nutritional Requirements**

- Protein: 32-38% avg 35%
- Fat: 18-25% avg. 20%
- Fiber: Less than 3% avg. 2%
- Carbs: Simple preferred, no sweets in the food
- Starch: Well-cooked, extruded
- Ash: Less than 7%
- Moisture: Less than 12% avg 10%

**Accepted Good Ingredients**

- Meats
  - Chicken
  - Turkey
  - Lamb
  - Chicken Meal
  - Turkey Meal
  - Lamb Meal
  - Whole eggs
  - Liver
  - Fish
  - Fish oil
- Fat
  - Chicken Fat
  - Turkey Fat
  - Poultry Fat
- Other
  - Beet Pulp
  - Brewer’s Yeast

**Never in the first three ingredients**

- Fish
- Corn
- Soy
- Wheat