

# apartment

living with your dog

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## YOUR LANDLORD

Talk to your landlord about existing pets when searching for an apartment or before adopting a pet. If your landlord agrees with you keeping a pet in the apartment, make sure your tenancy agreement states that you are allowed to keep a pet.

## YOUR ROOMMATES

Remember that many people will be sharing a small space. Find out if your roommates have allergies or any concerns about bringing a pet in your shared apartment.

A dog that barks constantly will not be favorably received in an apartment. Consult your veterinarian regarding behavioral training if your dog is a barker.

## YOUR DOG

Not all the breeds are well-suited to apartment life. Dogs that are very high energy, such as a Labrador or Border collie, may really struggle being confined to a small space. Often the frustration of being cooped up and bored translates into destructive behaviors like chewing.

## VACCINATIONS

Your pet needs to be free of parasites and vaccinated in order to prevent parasitic and infectious diseases. It is especially important if you share outside grounds or you're planning on using the common yard areas for dog walks.

In the rare case if your dog bites someone, or someone accuses your dog of biting, a vaccination certificate will be paramount.

*Third Party Liability is really important – make sure your pet insurance policy has enough cover, as you are legally responsible for your dog.*

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