



THE BARRACKS
VET SURGERY
MOSMAN

PETS TRAVELLING OVERSEAS

Start Early

Whether you are transferring overseas to pursue work or personal opportunities, or returning home, there are innumerable tasks requiring your attention. One of the jobs that should be handled EARLY is arranging pet transportation. Delays can lead to costly inconveniences.

AQIS requirements

AQIS, The Australian Quarantine Inspection Service, has strict requirements for animals leaving and entering this country. Different laws apply to each overseas destination, but most involve some time spent in confinement at their destination. Some preparations need to be started seven months before departure. In many cases, correct preparation can make the difference whether a pet is penned for a few weeks or many months. For most pets, a six month quarantine is just too isolating to be considered kind.

Costs are significant too, depending on the country, you can expect to pay between one and three thousand dollars each way for one pet.

Having said that, there are AQIS accredited vets at The Barracks Vet Surgery, in liaison with accredited pet transportation companies who will help you navigate the system and satisfy all medical, documentary and crating requirements. We are happy to create a plan and timeline to assist you.

Food and medicine for the trip

We can also offer tips like restricting your pet's nutritional intake to water only for the 12 hours preceding departure. This is so that they are not further stressed by soiling themselves or becoming airsick in transit.

Sedation is not recommended as animals are unable to brace themselves and may be bruised by the sides of their crate when moved, and unable to move away from spilt water etc. However there are homeopathic vet products such as feliway, adaptil and homeopet which will calm and reassure the pet during the trip.