

Five Things To Do If You Have Lost Your Dog



1. Immediately put out food, water and your dog's bed or an article of your clothing at the location where your dog was last seen. There is a good chance that your dog may return.
2. Get the word out by using flyers and signs (like yard sales signs) with a picture of your dog and your phone number, and then check your phone often! Go door-to-door with your flyers in the neighborhood where your dog was last seen.
3. Contact your local animal shelters and animal control facilities, vet clinics and police departments to report your dog missing. Fax or e-mail them a photo of your dog and your contact information. Contact the microchip company and report your dog as lost.
4. Instruct everyone that is helping you to NOT call or chase your dog. This will prolong your search. If they see your dog, tell them to sit or lay down (no eye contact) and gently toss out tasty treat to lure your dog in.
5. Post your dog on HelpingLostPets.com, your local lost and found section of craigslist, in your local paper and on other lost and found Internet/Facebook sites.



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Five Things To Do If You Have Found A Dog



1. Check for a license or ID tag. No tags? Ask around your neighborhood in case the dog lives nearby.
2. Take the dog to the nearest veterinarian or shelter to have the dog scanned for a microchip and checked for a tattoo.
3. Notify all of the correct authorities to report the dog found. Call your local police (non-emergency line). Also, call your local animal control agency (ACO), to complete a found dog report or bring the dog to them if you are unable to keep the dog while searching for the his/her owner.
4. Create "found dog" flyers and post them around the neighborhood and at animal service businesses.
5. Post on your local craigslist, in your local paper (found ads are often free) and on other lost and found Internet/Facebook sites.



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