

PETS AS THERAPY

The Care and Welfare of PAT Dogs and PAT Cats

- Pre-visit Considerations

Please don't take me on a Pets As Therapy visit if I am unwell – I might behave differently if I don't feel well.



Don't take me when I am in season.

Make sure my vaccinations, worming and flea treatments are up to date.



Please make sure I'm clean before I go on a visit. Please make sure my Pets As Therapy ID Jacket, collar (or PAT Cat harness) and lead are clean too.



Remember to take a towel for me if I'm one of the drooly breeds!



Please exercise me before I go on a Pets As Therapy visit.



Don't leave me in the car, especially when it's hot!

“The Five Freedoms”

The rights of all domestic animals in the service of man

- Freedom from hunger & thirst.
- Freedom from discomfort.
- Freedom from pain, injury and disease.
- Freedom to express normal patterns of behaviour.
- Freedom from fear & distress.

Animals participating in therapeutic programmes for the benefit of people should also be given these freedoms.



Check with the establishment that they don't have any notifiable diseases on the wards before I visit.

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