



 **Tristate
Pet Finders**
Lost Pet Checklist



1. **Search your home:** specifically all locations your pet could fit & hide in.
2. **Notify your neighbors immediately**
3. **Search your Neighborhood Daily**, particularly in the early morning and evening when they are most active as well as the time you normally feed them. **If you can't search daily or on a consistent basis, please consider hiring us for our services**
4. **Social Media:** Facebook, Twitter, mass email, post recent photos of your pet, include your contact information, town, county and state, as well as your pets last seen location, weight, height, color and unusual markings.
5. **Visit Shelters Daily:** Check local rescue groups, shelters, Veterinarians, humane societies, and feral cat organizations in your area. There may be staff changes, your pet may not have yet been processed, or its breed misidentified. Leave clear, detailed messages including your name, phone, contact info, and pet details. Shelters are required to hold an animal for 7 days before they become adoptable or are euthanized. **If you can't visit shelters daily or on a consistent basis, please consider hiring us for our services**
6. **Post Flyers & Signs** including critical info, photo, contact info, location last seen. Engage family, friends, and neighbors to help. **If you can't post flyers, please consider hiring us for our services**
7. **Dog Parks:** Post a sign and alert other pet owners. They may be your best search volunteers because they know what their pet means to them
8. **Put Food Out at Point of Escape:** You should consider putting out your scented clothing as well to attract your pet.
9. **Humane Traps:** Can be placed strategically around your home. Your local animal shelter may rent you some. **Please consider us, we also have humane animal traps for rent.**
10. **Provide Multiple Contact Sources:** Provide your home, work, cell numbers and emails. List family and friends as alternate contacts so you don't chance missing a notification. Indicate if can be called any time day or night.

PLEASE BE SURE TO ALERT EVERYONE ONCE YOU'VE LOCATED YOUR PET!

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