

# What to do if you find a lost pet

## The Checklist

- Check pet for ID tag
- If you find a tag, call the number(s) listed to notify the owner
- If no tags, first bring pet to local vet or shelter to have them scanned for a microchip
- If possible, keep dog/cat home with you in one location
- Notify local shelters and vets that you have the pet in your possession in case an owner calls looking for their pet
- If not possible to keep home until found, call shelters/vets in the area to ask which can hold the pet

# What to do if your pet goes missing

## The Checklist

### PREVENTATIVE

- Always be sure that your pet has UPDATED ID TAGS on them (even if they have a microchip)
- Keep your pet's microchip information UP-TO-DATE

### AFTER THE FACT

- Print out & put up flyers with a very clear, bright **picture** of your pet, your **contact** information, the **date & time** the pet went missing, the pet's **name**, and a physical **description**
- On foot, check places that your pet likes to go (e. g. The park, the pet store, your sister's apartment where he gets treats, etc.)
- On foot, ask doormen and other dog owners/walkers if they have seen your dog
- Call local shelters and vets to check if anyone has brought in your pet
- Call your microchip company to notify them that the pet is missing so they may contact you in case of return