



Housing a Chicago Dog

General Tips

- Try posting in local community groups (Facebook, etc.) to look for large-dog friendly housing!
- Show a renter's insurance plan that covers damages from pets, or demonstrate your willingness to get one for the property
 - Some Renter's Insurance providers that don't discriminate based on breed are: State Farm, Farmers Insurance, AAA, Amica, and more!
- Create a "resume" for your dog. Be sure to include "references" from friends, family members, and especially veterinarians and past landlords. See below for example. <https://www.apartmentguide.com/blog/pet-resume/>
 - Create a detailed plan for how you will care for your dog when outside of the home. Will the dog be kenneled? Will you have a family member or friend to pet sit for you?
 - Search for apartments on search engines that allow you to filter out locations that do not allow any pets. Even if a location has a weight limit on dogs, you have a better chance of convincing someone with limitations to expand their allowance rather than attempting to convince a landlord who doesn't allow any pets in the first place.

Where To Start Looking

- Klee Building owned by Mark Sussman supports animal rescue and allows large and traditionally discriminated against breeds of dog.
- <https://www.domu.com/>
- <https://www.peakproperties.biz/>
- <https://ppmapartments.com/> (Some of their properties allow for large dogs without weight limits, though it depends on individual location)
- People with Pets (Shows pet restrictions right next to the apartment to easily see what size dogs they accept. The site also gives access to pet-friendly roommates if you are looking to rent or have a room for rent.)
- [Apartment Advisor](#), [Apartment Guide](#), [Zillow](#)
- Compare pet-friendly rental housing that's ranked according to the best value for the neighborhood.

Temporary Foster Care

- Sometimes it can be tricky to find appropriate housing for you and your dog in time. If you are experiencing temporary homelessness or are finding a hard time between leases, temporary foster care may be a good opportunity to provide care for your dog while you search for a home that is a good fit.
- <https://www.pawschicago.org/our-work/crisis-support/crisis-foster-care>
 - Confirmed to have no weight limit for dogs!
- <https://anticruelty.org/safe>
 - Confirmed to have no weight or breed limitations.

