

I want to transport cats from St. Thomas to Boston. What do I need to do?

We appreciate your willingness to take a cat or two in cabin for us. You have now become an integral part of our mission to get cats to their furever homes!

Contact us at offtherocksrescue@gmail.com. Give us your travel date, airline, and flight information. We will also need your confirmation code or record locator number to reserve the pet with the airline. Let us know how many carriers (one per person) your travel party is willing to take. Remember that each carrier counts as one piece of carry-on luggage. Animal carriers are not allowed in exit row seats or in the first row.

We will send someone to meet you at the airport in St. Thomas to give you the cat(s) in a soft-sided carrier along with the necessary paperwork. If we can do so, we will wait with you while you check in at the ticket counter. Customs will look at your paperwork, and TSA will ask that you take the animals out of the carrier, put the carrier through the luggage scanner, and walk the cats through the body scanner. You can always ask for a “private screening” at TSA which will take place in a room and is more comfortable.

You will be given the name of the Off the Rocks volunteer picking up from you upon your arrival. They will track your flight and be at the airport when you land. Text them when you have landed and text them again when you are ready to come out the door. They will be in a car in the live pickup lane at the baggage claim level and will give you their license plate number and car description. Tell the volunteer the number on the terminal door so they can pull up to you.

Thank you again.