

# SHABBAT: ANIMAL CARE

## Shabbat: Feeding Animals before Yourself

If you do own an animal, you must generally feed it before you are permitted to eat your own food. If you eat first, you have violated a Torah commandment.

## Shabbat: Dog-Walking inside Eruv

You may walk a dog or other animal on a leash on Shabbat within an eruv or inside an enclosed property.

## Shabbat: Dog-Walking outside Eruv

You may walk a dog or other animal on a leash on Shabbat outside a private domain, but you must hold the leash within 10 1/2" (27 cm) of the end and no part of the leash may droop to within 10 1/2" of the ground at any time.

## Muktza: Feeding Animals that Do Not Belong To You

You may not feed animals that do not belong to you on Shabbat (even if they are tame).

**EXCEPTION** It may be permissible to feed dogs on Shabbat even if they do not belong to you. Consult a rabbi.