

## **Safe Car Travel with your Dog**

Your dog can become a killer if he travels unrestrained in your car.

If you allow your dog to travel in your car without any restraint he could turn into an unguided missile if you had to brake suddenly or were involved in a collision.

**An average sized dog (eg. a Border Collie) weighing at 22.5kgs (50lbs) would weigh the equivalent of almost nine 12 stone men being thrown forwards if involved in a 30 mph collision.** *(Source: Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents)*

This means your dog could easily injure or kill anyone traveling in the car as well as being injured or killed himself. In addition to this an unrestrained dog can distract the driver, again a possible cause of an accident.

Keep everyone in the car safe by restraining your dog either with a purpose made travel harness (available from good pet shops), a secure travel cage, or behind a purpose built dog guard. For additional safety, a rear door guard could also be fitted.

Remember loose dogs in cars can kill.



**Keep him restrained – keep him safe!**

For further information on travelling safely with your dog please see the information provided by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents:



<http://www.rospa.com/roadsafety/info/pets.pdf>