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# Dogs' Homes of Tasmania

Operated by the Tasmanian Canine Defence League.  
Locations at Hobart, Devonport, & Burnie.

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## Canine Connections ~ Dogs in Cars and Utes



Dogs travelling unrestrained in cars risk injury not only to themselves but to all passengers in the vehicle.

In a collision, an unrestrained dog can be thrown around inside the car with enough velocity to seriously injure passengers.

The RSPCA suggests that we minimise the risk by using recommended dog vehicle restraints which clip directly into the seat belt and also double as a dog walking harness.

You may well be saving your dog and your family by using a dog restraint in your car.

Legislation is in place which makes it compulsory to tether a dog travelling on the back of a ute or truck. The tether should be long enough to permit the dog to stand, lie down and move about but not of a length which would allow either the dog's front or hind legs to reach the side of the tray when standing normally.

The restraint should be attached by a swivel to an anchor point up against the vehicle cabin and the other end should be attached to the dog's collar by harness or another swivel which prevents tangling. Tethering of dogs may expose them to increases stress, particularly on very cold or very hot days so should always be regarded as a temporary, short-term method of restraint.

For more information or to purchase a vehicle restraint, contact the RSPCA.

### **Burnie Dogs' Home**

**170 Stowport Rd.,  
Burnie TAS 7320**

**Ph: (03) 6431 6199**

### **Devonport Dogs' Home**

**Spreyton Park Racecourse  
Devonport TAS 7310**

**Ph: (03) 6427 2178**

### **Hobart Dogs' Home**

**101 Scotts Rd.,  
Risdon Vale TAS 7016**

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