



EUTHABAG<sup>®</sup>

USER GUIDE





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The mission at EUTHABAG is to provide veterinary teams with tools to improve the euthanasia experience for everybody involved.

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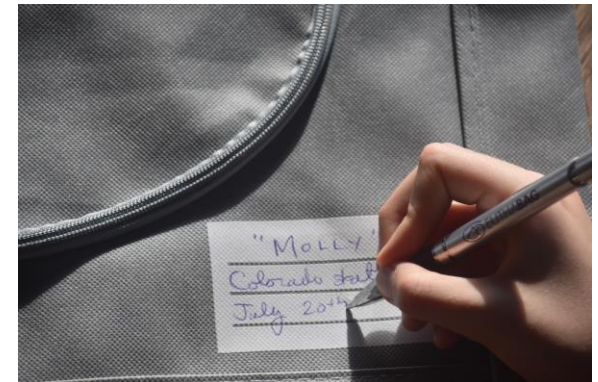
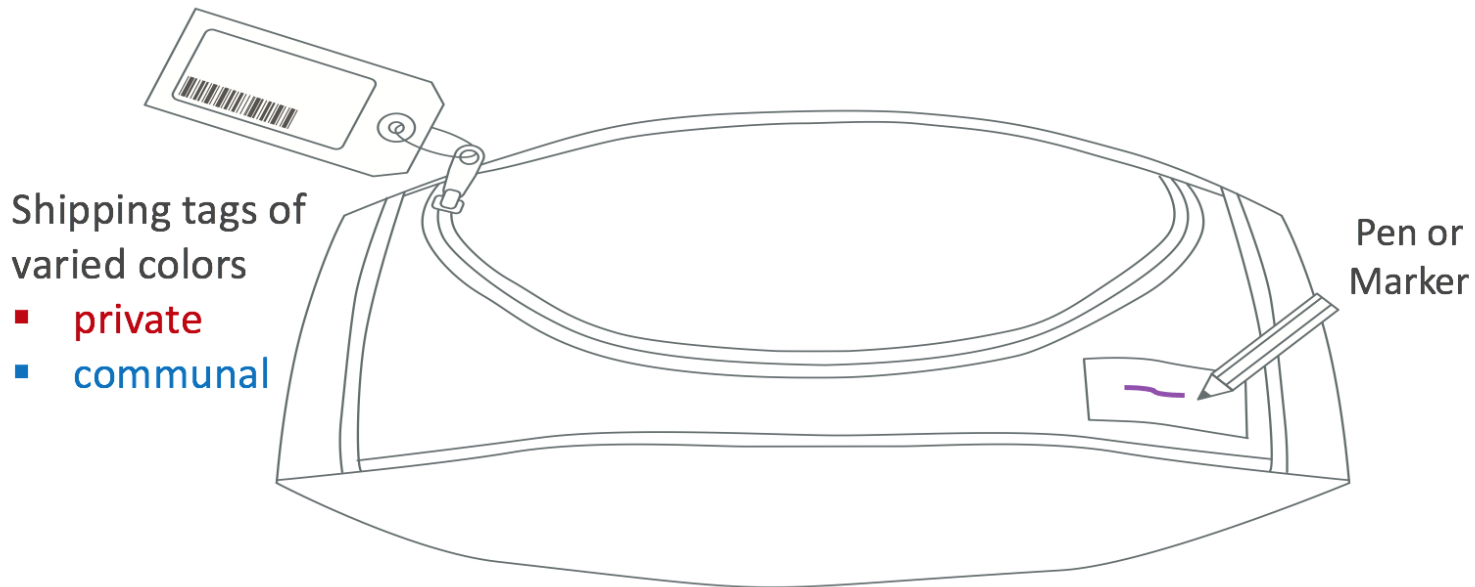


# Technical Guide

Get the most out of **EUTHABAG**

# Identification

Identification is crucial



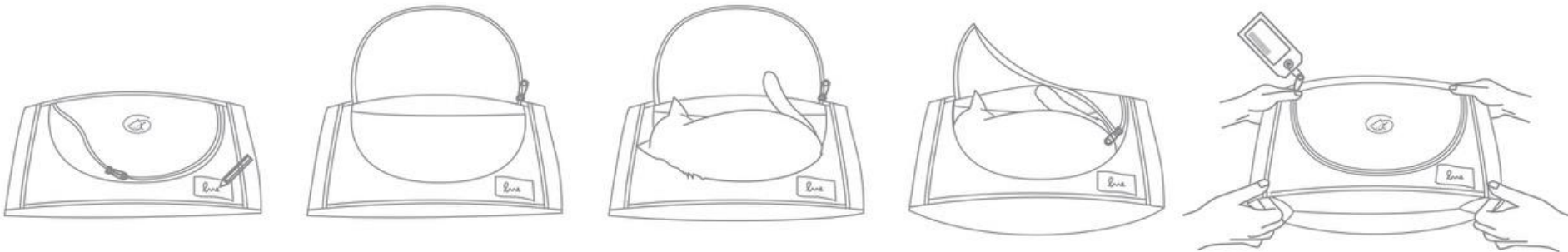
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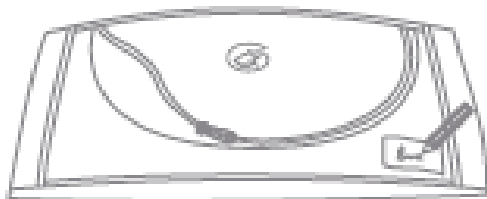
The **curve of the animals back** should be aligned with the curve of the zipper

Putting the **rear end first** will make insertion easier.

- a **better view** for clients that return to see their pet
- a sense of closure for clients that want to close the bag themselves



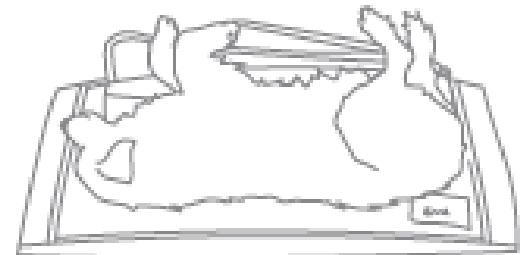
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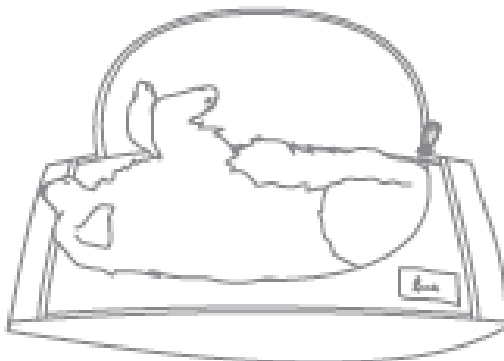
Identify the EUTHABAG  
with a pen or a marker



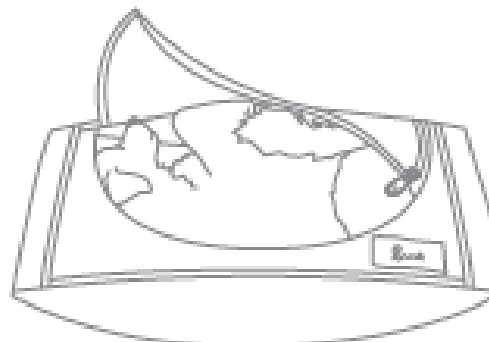
Unzip the top flap  
and tuck it underneath



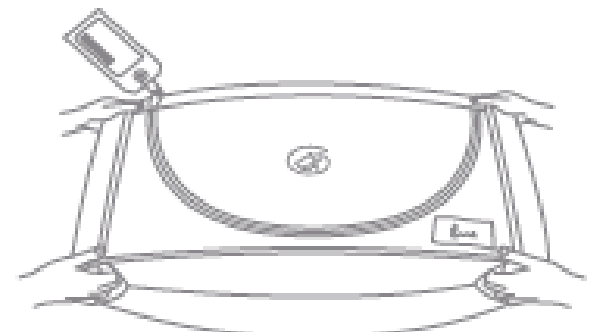
Place animal over the opening,  
aligning the head to the left (like the logo)  
and the curve of the back with the zipper



Insert the rear end of the animal first



Tuck both front legs  
and head gently into the bag



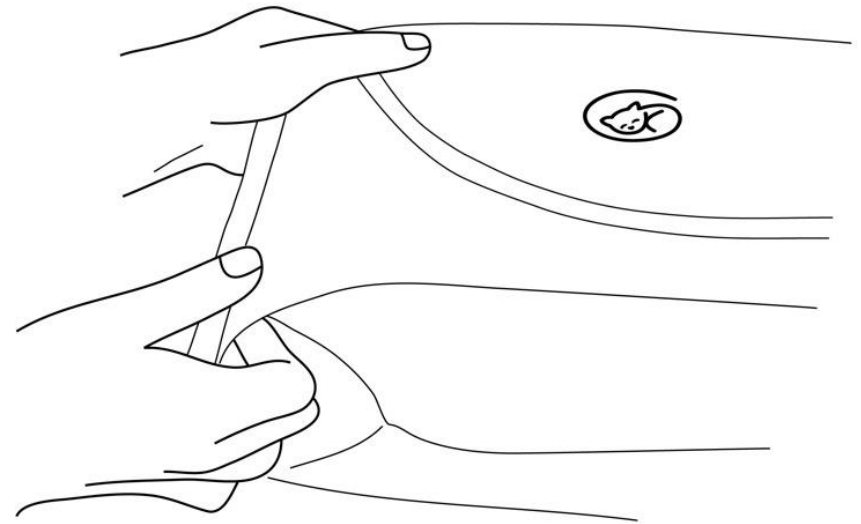
Transport using the 4 integrated handles  
located in the 2 pleats on each end  
A shipping tag can be attached to the zipper

Use the **integrated handles** created at both ends by the pleats

Specially designed for larger animals  
4 layers of fabric in the pleats for more resistance

No stretcher needed < 35kg

# Handles



## Easy Placement into body bag



- ← Pet
- ← Blanket
- ← EUTHABAG

Place EUTHA**BAG** flat on the table with the **flap open** and tucked underneath.

A **blanket** can then be placed over the **open** bag.

Euthanasia is performed.

The family is **asked** if they want to be present during **placement** of the body

The blanket is removed, with pet being already in place, so that **minimal manipulation** is required. Place the **rear end into the bag first**, then tuck front paws and the head in. The pet parents may want to zip it themselves.



# The family closing the bag

Transform one's inner **turmoil**  
into a **practice building** opportunity

## Family Involvement



**Closing the bag** can be an important  
added value.

An image that will long follow them.

It **comforts** them

Provides closure

For the family, it can help **close a chapter**:  
saying goodbye to their companion instead of  
leaving them behind on the table

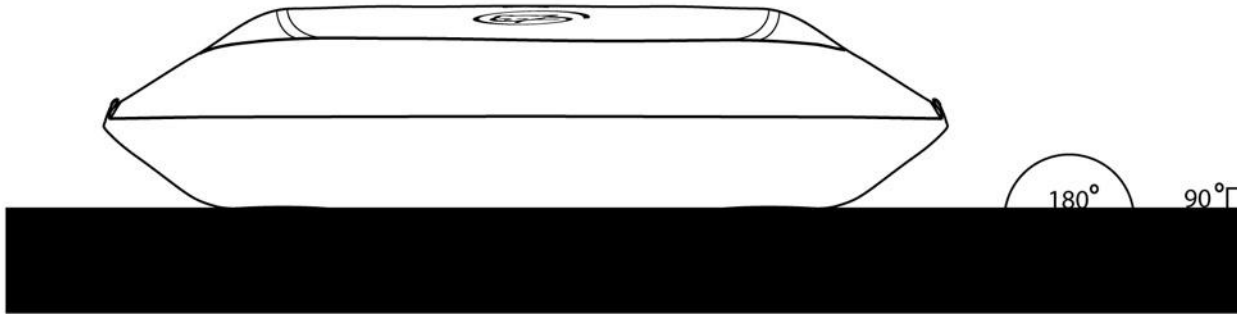
A drawing can be placed into the EUTHABAG as a final goodbye.



## Distraction & Closure



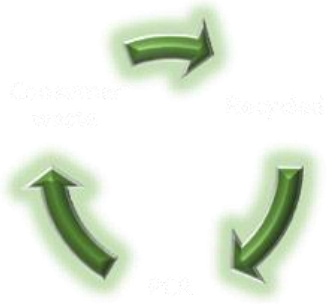
# Storage



Store **flat** and ensure the body is placed in a **natural position** for families that may return to see their pet or change their mind.

For **take-homes**, accompany the owner **to the car** and make sure the body is placed flat as the family may be disoriented/devastated.

# Ecology



Water based ink and vegetal based glue  
Made with recycled material

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on [euthabag.com](http://euthabag.com)



For both **CREMATION** and **BURIAL**

# Biodegradable?

**NOT IMMEDIATELY** and for good reasons!



- Pentobarbital can leach into **soil** or **water** and **wild** and domestic **animals** can be intoxicated.
- Remains **accidentally dug up** by unsuspecting individuals, animal or humans, should be **contained**.
- More and more families **exhume** their pet's body when they move.
- It's **more practical** if contained. The remains could then be safely cremated in a **EUTHABAG**.



Download **HOW TO BURY A PET** handout  
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## Discretion

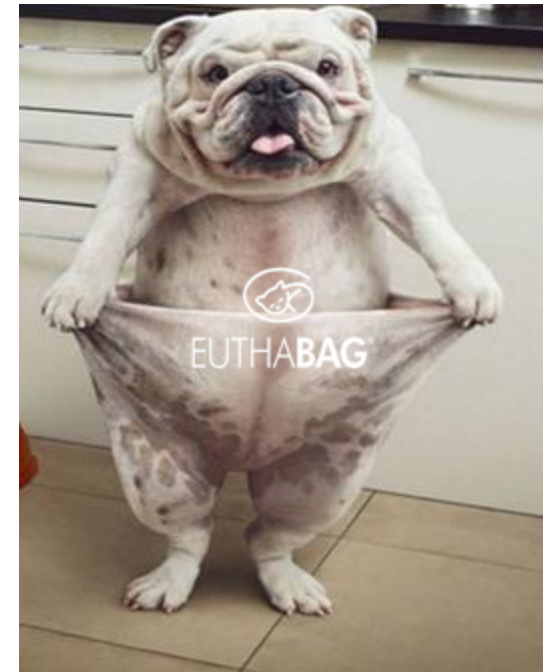
The sight of a big syringe and needle can be shocking to some clients.

Putting all your material in a EUTHA**BAG** XS is handy and looks professional.

# Resources for the vet team

- How to **bury** a pet handout
- **BEAP** and **feline grimace** pain scale
- **Quality of Life** Questionnaire
- Memory aid for the material
- Memory aid for topics to tackle
- Handout on **Children** and Pet loss
- **Sympathy card** wording

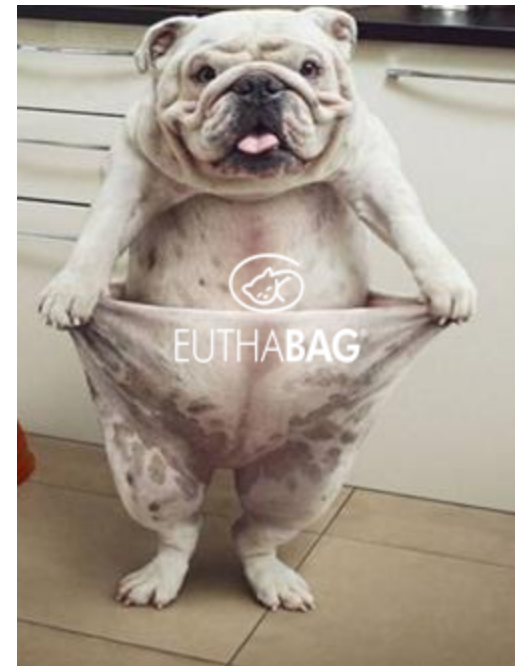
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# Resources for families

- **Books** on animal grief
- **Poems** and Articles
- **Children and grief**
- Stages of **Grief**
- Ways to **honor** your pet
- **FAQ** on Aftercare
- **Coloring** pages

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