

## Animal Disaster Sheltering Square Footage Guidelines

Collapsible crates are preferred instead of airline carriers. Collapsible crates are easier to clean and don't require industrial fans for ventilation. In Marion County, Florida they used airline carriers and lined one wall with large carriers and the other with medium size carriers. (They needed to rent industrial fans for ventilation.) The largest collapsible crate is 30 inches wide. Adding 3 inches on each side of the crate (so they aren't right next to each other), would make a 36 inch or 3 foot space. You could stack those 2 high easily so to house 50 animals would require 75 feet. Assuming a 3 foot aisle/walkway and the largest crate having a depth of 48 inches – to have one row of cages would require (75 feet x 7 feet) 525 square feet. If you wanted to have cages on 2 sides of the hallway you would need (75 feet x 11 feet) 825 square feet.



Airline Carrier



Collapsible Crate