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Pet Transportation Scams on the Rise at WRWA

OKLAHOMA CITY, August 31, 2021 – Will Rogers World Airport is receiving increasing number of calls and emails from concerned citizens nationwide wondering where their beloved furry family members might be. More likely than not, they never existed.

WRWA is alerting the public about pet delivery services that promises safe transport of pets found online. Unfortunately, a great deal of money has been lost before victims realize, the transport is fake.

The fake transports look very convincing. Many use a 405-area code as the listed business phone number. Some pet transports even use WRWA address as the business location. An example of this is from a company by the name of OK Pets Delivery Services. Here are some tips to prevent this scam from costing you a lot more than heartache.

PET SCAM TIPS FOR WILL ROGERS WORLD AIRPORT (WRWA)

- Will Rogers World Airport does not have a central receiving area for any animals. Pets are primarily shipped through the major airlines or private charter companies. UPS and FedEx do not ship most animals including dogs and cats. WRWA does not: hold for pickup, quarantine, vaccinate, or provide any shipping/receiving services for any animals.
- Customer should verify shipping details. If a small animal is being shipped on a major airline, which is the most common method, the customer should be provided with an airway bill that provides specific information about the flight including the name of the airline, flight



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numbers, time of arrival/departure, and a confirmation number. The customer should not just receive a confirmation number without airline or flight information included.

- Animals shipped by a legitimate airline or charter company, will have a very specific location for pickup. For example, a pickup with a major airline would be at that airline's baggage claim or cargo office.
- If the shipper is using a private charter or private airline, the customer should get specific information as to the name of the airport, the name of the company where the plane will land, at WRWA that is
- AAR Oklahoma and Atlantic Aviation, where the animal will be delivered, and times of departure/arrival.
- No company should ask for additional money after the pet is shipped. All shipping costs, including insurance, vaccinations, crates, quarantine, etc., should be included in the initial shipping fees.
- Do not wire or transfer money to any company. Be cautious of any company requesting a cash transaction. Use payment methods that will give you the ability to stop payment if needed.

The airport always recommends shipping through a major airline.

For more travel tips, ticket counter hours, and flight information go to flyokc.com.