

When you have a pet's picture taken there are a few things that you can do to better your portrait. These are guidelines only. Pets are like two year olds. Some like taking pictures and some do not. Every pet is different and there may be a reason why you would wish to avoid some of these rules.

1.) Make sure that your pet has done his business outside just before you coming into the studio.

2.) Treats may get your pets attention but they sometimes cause more problems than they help. When they are chewing treats we can not take their picture. When they stop chewing all they want is more. You should bring some treats BUT please do not introduce them to your pet unless everything else fails.

3.) Cats can be more difficult than dogs. When they become afraid, they bolt and it becomes almost impossible to get them to settle back down. For your own protection cut their nails before coming to the studio.

4.) There is a good chance that you will need to hold your pet in the picture. If this becomes the case there are many ways to cut you out of the picture.

5.) Group of pets make nice pictures but keep in mind that the more pets you try to put in a picture the harder it becomes. Sometimes it looks better if we take individual pictures and put them together in a collage later.

6.) Most pets will only tolerate the studio lights for a short period on time. They realize that when they get excited a light goes off in their face. We will try to take as many pictures as possible as fast as possible. We put more importance on getting natural looks than we do in making sure every hair is in place.

7.) Dressing up your pet may make a good picture but it adds one more thing that we have to deal with. Things like bows that are taped on will not stay there if your pet is squirming.

8.) Our style of photography is a little different than other studios. You may wish to go on line and look at our gallery of prints. In doing this you may even come up with a new idea for your pets portrait.