Email collection

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Why is it so important to collect email addresses?

Using emails to foster client relationships

Use emails to send out annual reminders, appointment confirmations, follow-ups, etc.

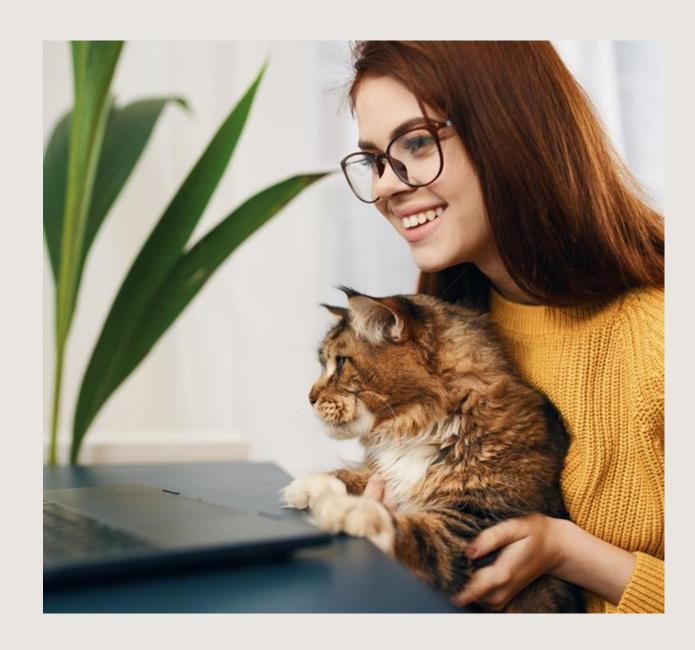
By using e-mail to communicate important information, you'll familiarize your customer with receiving information from you and improve your relationship with them.



Using emails as a development tool of your online boutique

The number and proportion of email addresses you have in your management system is crucial to the success of your online boutique.

The more complete and up-to-date your e-mail list, the more likely you'll be able to send invitations to your customers when your online store is launched.



Importance of email addresses

- 1 email address = 1 potential new online account, and so one potential new buyer of quality pet food from the veterinarian.
- 1 email address = 1 opportunity to improve compliance with the recommendations made to your client, notably thanks to recurring orders.
- 1 email address = 1 sustained and engaging dialogue with your client.

And now... Your role!

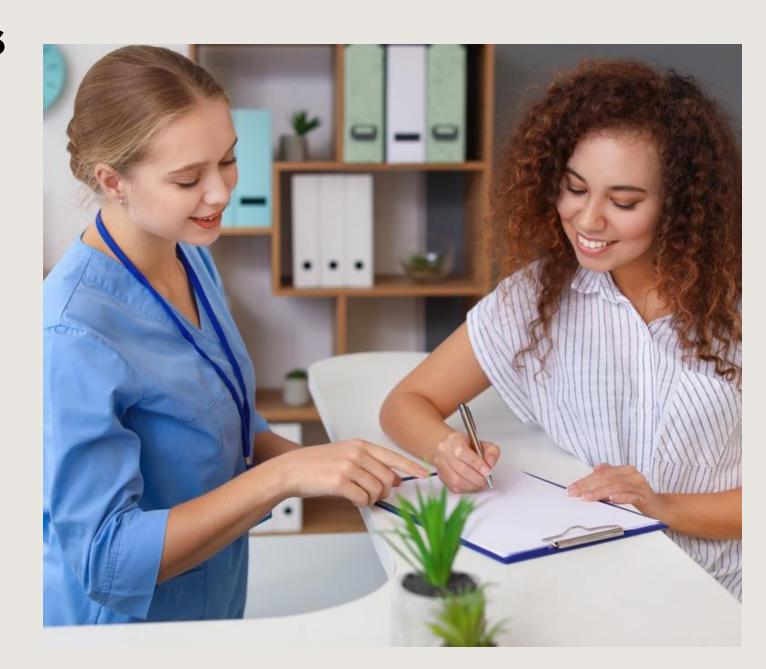
For a successful launch of your online store, you'll need to validate the information (email address and contact authorization) in your customer database and update it as necessary.

- You'll always have up-to-date contact information, which will help your team to serve the customer and follow up in the most efficient way.
- You can also send promotional emails and reminders.

Role: Email address collection

Confirm and/or update the contact information in your client database if needed.

Implement simple protocols to update this information at each and every visit.



How to collect client emails

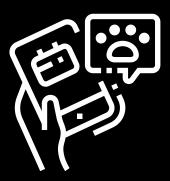
Pet owner information can be gathered in the following ways:



During client check-in, by greeting staff



Client fills out form while in the waiting room



Client fills out online form on your website to book an appointment

At client check-in

- Greet the pet owner as usual.
- Update the pet owner's personal information immediately after accessing their data:

"I would like to confirm that your contact information is up to date in our system"

- Home address.
- Phone number(s) (home, cell, work).
- Authorized names in the file.
- Active animal(s) listed in the file.
- Email address.
- If the client's personal information was not updated at check-in, do it before they leave.

Email address: Consent

Make sure you obtain the client's consent to receive emails, promotional material, notifications and reminders via your POS (point-of-sale software).



What if the client refuses to share his/her email address?

Reassure the pet owner of the following:

- A complete record is crucial to providing the best care and follow up.
- They will be contacted when relevant.
- Email is an efficient way to communicate important messages regarding their pet's health.

Example:

"We ask all our clients to provide us with their email address to be able to provide professional follow-up. This does not commit you to anything."

If the pet owner continues to refuse, do not pressure them.

Role: Email address collection

- This role is everyone's responsibility.
- Each client file must include a valid email address.
- Keep your client database up to date.
- This is an ongoing process: you may have to send a few reminders.

It takes a bit of time, but it pays off!

Thank You

