

Pet First Aid



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PET FIRST AID KIT CHECKLIST

Keep a kit of basic first aid supplies for the pets in your household. Many of the items in a family first aid kit can be used for pets, too.

- IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS (veterinarian, emergency clinic, poison control, animal control, non-emergency police)
- A copy of your PET'S MEDICAL RECORD
- DIGITAL FEVER THERMOMETER to take your pet's temperature
- MUZZLE to prevent bites (DO NOT muzzle your pet if he/she is vomiting)
- SPARE LEASH AND COLLAR
- GAUZE ROLL for wrapping wounds or muzzling an injured animal
- CLEAN TOWELS for restraining cats, cleaning or padding
- NONSTICK BANDAGES OR STRIPS OF CLEAN CLOTH to control bleeding or protect wounds
- SELF-ADHERING, NONSTICK TAPE for bandages
- ADHESIVE TAPE for securing bandages
- TICK SPOON/TWEEZERS for safely removing ticks and stingers
- EYE DROPPER (or large syringe without needle) to give oral treatments or flush wounds
- LUBRICANT to protect wounds, eyes
- MILK OF MAGNESIA OR ACTIVATED CHARCOAL to absorb poison (Use only if instructed to do so by your veterinarian or a poison control center)
- 3% HYDROGEN PEROXIDE to induce vomiting (Always contact your veterinarian or poison control center before inducing vomiting; do not use hydrogen peroxide on wounds.)
- SALINE SOLUTION for cleansing wounds (Saline sold for use with contact lenses works well for most purposes.)
- 9+ LOCATION OF PET CARRIER (for cats and small dogs): _____

MY PET'S EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Owner's name: _____
Phone: _____
Pet's name: _____
Breed: _____
Age (or year of birth): _____
Sex: M F Neutered/Spayed? Yes No

EMERGENCY CLINIC

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Directions from home: _____

Animal Poison Control Center: 888-426-4435
(there may be a fee for the call)

Non-emergency police phone:

Non-emergency fire department phone:

Animal control phone:

A NOTE ON MEDICATIONS: Use ONLY after confirming with your veterinarian the correct dose/use for your cat or dog. Some human medications are toxic to cats and dogs and of the ones that can be used, the doses for our pets are different. Using too much of an approved medication can be just as toxic as using an unapproved one.



Always remember that any first aid administered to your pet should be followed by immediate veterinary care.

