

Puppy & Kitten Proof Your Home



Antifreeze: Pets are attracted to the odor and sweet taste of antifreeze. Wipe up any antifreeze spills or any fluids found on the garage floor. Window-washing solution contains antifreeze.

Appliances:



Irons

Coffee/Tea Pots



Heaters



Ovens



Washer/Dryer



Chocolate: Chocolate can be dangerous and sometimes fatal. Theobromine, a powerful stimulant is toxic to pets. All pastries, candy, and sweets can upset a young animals GI track and lead to diarrhea and vomiting, which can be serious.



Common Household Killers: Cleaning agents, bleach, ammonia, disinfectants, drain cleaner, oven cleaner, gasoline, rat poison. Lock them away in a safe place.



Electrical Shocks: Young animals love to chew when they are teething. Make sure all electrical wires and cords are out of reach from your pet.

Holiday's Can be Hazardous to Your Pet's Health



Gift wrap



Holly



Fireplace, tinsel



Balloons



Candy/plastic



Toys



Yarn, String



Candy



Mistletoe



Dangerous Plants: Lilies, Philodendron, Dieffenbachia, Elephant Ear, Eucalyptus, Spider Plants, Azalea, Ivy, Amaryllis, Pyracantha, Oleander, Boxwood, Jerusalem Cherry & Bulbs

Keep these items away from your pet:

Cigarette butts



Cosmetics



Lawn Chemicals



Hot Tubs, Pools



Lotions, Soaps, Liquids



Medications



Plastic Bags



Rubber Bands/String



Needles & Thread



Socks/Pantyhose



Good Things for Your Pet



Read books to learn more about your pet: How to train your pet, behaviors to expect, ways to keep your pet stimulated, best ways to exercise your pet, and ways provide a diet that is best for your new pet now & for years to come.



Enroll you and your new puppy in dog obedience classes. Provide consistent training for your pet. Engage the entire family in how to best train your new pet.

Teach children proper handling of puppies & kittens



Provide a safe place for your pet to rest and eat

Provide your new pet with a diet that is best for them. Discuss your pet's diet with your veterinarian.



Give your new puppy safe chew toys and treats that are approved by your veterinarian. Never give your pet, a turkey, chicken or rib bone as a treat. They can splinter and cause serious injury.



Remember to adjust collars & harnesses as pets quickly outgrow them and this can lead to serious wounds.



Exercise your new pet on a daily basis. Some pets require more activity than others. Know what your pet needs and do the best to provide the proper kind and amount of exercise. Expect your puppy & kitten to be active.

Socialize your pet in a safe and healthy manner.



Introducing your pet to other animals, children and adults at a young age is critically important. Take time to have your new pet meet others in a safe way. **Socializing your pet can help them to grow up to be happy normal pets and may prevent them from becoming aggressive or timid.**

Spend quality time with your pet.



Check under the hood of your car: This is a warm place for a cat to nap. Always honk your horn prior to starting your car to wake pets if they are under the hood.



Always have your pet checked regularly by your veterinarian.