

Heatstroke Prevention

Know the signs

Keep your dog cool on hot days

- Test the asphalt, if it's too hot for you, it's too hot for your dog
- Walk early in the morning or late in the evening
- Allow for shaded area and drinking water
- Never leave in hot car, room or sun
- Douse with cool water
- Restrict exercise

Steps to take if your dog has heat stroke

- Contact your vet or emergency pet clinic
- Offer small amounts of tepid water
- Soak with cool (not cold) water
- Move somewhere cool
- Place in breeze or fan

Heatstroke facts

- 15 minutes for a car to reach critical temperatures
- 101.3°F is a dog's normal body temperature
- 50% Survival rate for dogs with heat stroke
- 60 days to acclimate to weather changes
- 15 minutes for a dog to die of heatstroke
- 2°F is all it takes for heat stroke to set in
- 109.4°F - A dog's organs start to fail

What heatstroke looks like

Brain

- Seizures

Eyes

- Glossy eyes
- fearful expression

Heart

- Racing heart



Mouth

- Heavy panting
- excessive drooling
- red / purple gums / tongue
- vomiting

Body

- High temperature

Legs

- Collapsing
- Staggering

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