



Animal Control



Terrifying for Pets

Many people enjoy going to fireworks and listen to the loud noise and the spectacular display of light, but they can be terrifying for pets. Do not include them in your enjoyment of these events. During these events, animal shelters report a dramatic increase in lost pets. They are so frightened by the noise and lights that they try to escape and find themselves lost. Help your pet keep calm during these events.

◇ **KEEP THEM AWAY FROM FIREWORKS**

Pets ears, eyes, and noses are more sensitive than ours and the loud noises, flashing lights and the smells are overwhelming to them. Preferably keep them indoors with the radio or TV on to hide them from the noises.

Pets that are usually kept outdoors should be brought inside. If you are unable to leave them home alone unattended, then take them with you and keep them leashed and under your direct control at all times.

◇ **ASK YOUR VETERINARIAN FOR HELP IF YOUR PET IS SCARED BY FIREWORKS**

There are medications and things that your veterinarian knows that may help alleviate your pet's fear and anxiety.

◇ **PROTECT YOUR PET FROM HEAT STROKE DURING THESE SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

High temperatures put your pet at risk of heat stroke which can become deadly quickly. The heat with the added stress makes it even worse on your pet. Keep a close eye on them and act immediately if you see any signs of heat stroke. REMEMBER NEVER KEEP YOUR PET IN A PARKED CAR EVEN IF THE TEMPERATURE OUTSIDE IS ONLY 72°.

◇ **MAKE SURE YOUR PET IS WEARING A COLLAR AND I. D. TAG**

All of your pets should always wear collars with I.D. Tags. Indoor only pets can become so terrified during fireworks displays that they will take drastic measures to try and escape, including going thru a screen, jumping off a 2nd or 3rd story balcony or breaking thru a window. This is why it is a good idea to have your pet microchipped as well.



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