



CARING FOR YOUR DOG DURING WARM WEATHER



Dogs lose heat through panting, can only sweat through their paws, and are at high risk of getting heatstroke. Follow our top tips to keep your dog cool in the heat.

PROVIDE SHADE AND WATER

- Provide constant access to shaded areas inside and out.
- Ensure there is always cold, clean, fresh water available.



WALKIES

- Head out in the early morning or late evening when it's cooler.
- Don't run or cycle with your dog when it's hot.
- Avoid pavements. If the ground is too hot to touch with your hand for a few seconds, it's too hot for paws!



KEEPING COOL

- Prevent sunburn by using pet-safe sunscreen on ear tips and nose.
- Brush your dog regularly to keep their coat thin and free from matts or knots.
- Use frozen toys, paddling pools or water sprinklers to entertain and cool your dog down.



REMEMBER:

Dogs can die in hot environments.

See: [rspca.org.uk/dogsinhotcars](https://www.rspca.org.uk/dogsinhotcars)

Never leave pets in vehicles, caravans, conservatories or outbuildings in warm weather.



HEATSTROKE CAN KILL.

Know the signs of heatstroke and contact a vet immediately if you spot them: heavy panting, excessive drooling, lethargy, drowsiness, uncoordinated movements, a state of collapse and vomiting.