Five Summer Dangers for Pets

Spending time outdoors this summer? Keep these safety tips in mind to ensure your furry friends are comfortable.

**Sun & Heat**
Pets can become dehydrated quickly. **Know the signs of overheating** (excessive panting, increased heart rate and weakness) and make sure your pet has access to fresh water and a shady or air conditioned place.

**Fireworks & Thunderstorms**
One in five pets goes missing after being scared by loud noises, so keep them in a quiet, secure area at home. If your pet does go missing, [download the ASPCA app](https://www.aspcaapp.org) for a free step-by-step toolkit to help find your pet: ASPCAapp.org

**Parties & Barbecues**
Make sure your pet can’t get into human food (especially grapes, onion, avocado and chocolate) or alcoholic drinks.

**Hot Cars**
Don’t leave your pet in the car! Even with the windows cracked, a car’s temperature can reach 100° in 10 minutes on an 85° day. Sign our hot car pledge at aspca.org/hotcars

**Toxic Chemicals**
Insecticides, insect repellents, sunscreen, citronella products and glow sticks are toxic, so keep them away from your pet.