

HOW TO IDENTIFY AND TREAT DEHYDRATION IN PETS



Just like humans, pets can get dehydrated too.

Did you know that about 80% of your pet's body is water, while humans are roughly 55-60% water? That's why it's important to monitor your pet for dehydration, especially with rising temperatures. During the hotter months of the year dogs are particularly susceptible to becoming dehydrated.

SIGNS THAT YOUR PET IS DEHYDRATED:

- Dry nose
- Excessive drooling
- Lethargy
- Sticky gums
- Loss of appetite
- Thick saliva



RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Move out of the heat
- Offer water
- Don't allow your pet to drink too much too fast

SIGNS YOU SHOULD CONTACT A VET:

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Loss of elasticity of the skin
- Excessive panting
- Difficulty breathing
- Sunken eyes



You can protect your pets against some of the most common causes of dehydration by simply keeping them out of the heat. If at any time you become worried about your pet, seek emergency veterinary care.

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