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Guide to Poison Prevention in Pets

This handy checklist provides an overview of common foods, medications, plants, and household products that are poisonous to dogs and cats.

Hide and Safely Store Poisonous Household Products

Almost any household product can be dangerous to your pet, even those labeled “safe” or “natural” (including homemade products). Here are a few poisonous products to keep safely stored away from your pets. See a full list of poisonous household products here.

- Antifreeze, deicer
- Ammonia
- Bleach or bleach-based cleaners
- Carpet or rug cleaner/shampoo/deodorizer
- Essential oils
- Plant fertilizer
- Glue, other adhesives
- Laundry or dishwasher detergent
- Paint, solvents, spackle
- Rat/mouse/slug bait or other insecticides
- Vinegar (plain or mixed with water)
- Window cleaner

Know Which Human Medications are Poisonous to Pets

Just because a medication is safe for you does not mean it is safe for your pet. Here are some of the more common over-the-counter (OTC) and prescription medications that are considered harmful to pets. See a full list of human medications that are poisons for pets here.

- Acetaminophen
  (Tylenol®)
- ADD and ADHD medications
  (including Adderall® and Ritalin®)
- Allergy/Decongestant medications
  (including Mucinex-D®, Claritin-D®, and Allegra-D®)
- Antidepressants
  (including Effexor®, Lexapro®, and Prozac®)
- Aspirin
- Blood pressure medications
  (including Toprol® and Lopressor®)
- Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs/NSAIDs
  (including Motrin®, Advil® and Aleve®)
- Sleep aids
  (including Ambien® and Lunesta®)

Make Sure You Aren't Feeding Your Pets These Poisonous Foods

While we fully support your own adventurous palate, some of your favorite foods can be dangerous to your pets. Here are a few poisonous foods to avoid feeding your pet. See a full list of poisonous foods here.

- Alcohol
- Caffeine and coffee
- Candy
  (especially sugar-tree versions that contain xylitol)
- Chocolate
- Garlic
- Grapes and raisins
- Macadamia nuts
- Onions
- Raw yeast dough
- Walnuts

Remove Poisonous Plants from Your Home and Yard

While some plants are considered safe for your pets, others can cause problems ranging from gastrointestinal upset to more serious toxicity. Cats are at particularly high risk and some plants can spell t-r-o-u-b-l-e if your cat takes a nibble, lick, or even drinks the flower water. Here are a few common plants that are poisonous to cats. See a full list of poisonous plants here.

- Aloe vera
- Chrysanthemum
- Daffodil
- Daisy
- English ivy
- Hyacinth
- Lilies
- Marijuana
- Poinsettia
- Sago palm
- Tulip

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