

# PROTECT YOUR PETS FROM THE HEAT

## KNOW THE SIGNS OF HEAT STROKE

- Red gums and tongue
- Loud, rapid panting
- Excessive/lack of drool
- Rapid pulse
- Excessive thirst
- Vomiting/diarrhea
- Glazed eyes
- Elevated temperature
- Weakness, collapse
- Seizures
- Unconsciousness
- 103°+ body temperature

### WHAT TO DO

- Call your veterinarian
- Move your pet to a cool place
- Place a cool, wet cloth on their bellies, ears, paws and neck
- Direct a fan to blow on your pet

### WHAT NOT TO DO

- Do not force water
- Do not leave the pet alone
- Do not use cold water to cool your pet to avoid shock.



### Q: IS IT TOO HOT TO WALK?

#### TEST IT!

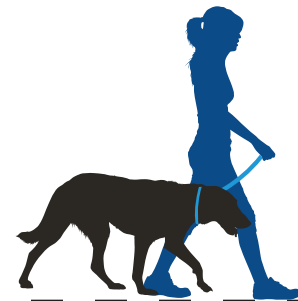
Hold your bare foot on the ground for **7 seconds**



**A:** If it's too hot for bare feet, it's too hot for bare paws.

### SAFE SUMMER TIPS

1. Keep your pet indoors when possible
2. Limit outdoor exercise to early morning or evening
3. Avoid long walks, hikes and excessive play
4. Provide pets with extra, cool water sources
5. Consider dog booties for hot pavement
6. Play in the sprinklers or a kiddie pool
7. Never chain your pet



### PET TRAPPED IN A CAR

#### IF IN IMMEDIATE DANGER:

- Call 911
- If the vehicle is locked, you may break the window using no more force than is necessary
- Remain with the pet until the authorities arrive



### NEVER LEAVE A PET IN THE CAR

If it's **100°** outside, the inside of your car can reach **129°** in just **20 minutes**.



*Even a 75° day can be deadly in a car.*