



Animal Care

HEATSTROKE

IF YOU SUSPECT YOUR DOG IS
OVERHEATING, ACT FAST TO INITIATE THE
COOL-DOWN PROCESS.









SOME FACTS

Cats and dogs *don't* sweat; they **pant**.

Many dogs don't know when to stop playing. **Limit exercise** during warmer temperatures.

Signs of heatstroke: rapid, raspy panting, drooling, weakness and collapse.

Dogs with **short snouts** are more susceptible to heatstroke

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-  Put your dog in a cool bath or hose them down with a garden hose. Avoid ice water as this can cause life-threatening consequences.
 -  Offer your dog some water, but do not waste time forcing your pup to drink because it's not going to lower your dog's temperature by itself.
 -  Load your wet dog into the car and quickly head to the veterinarian. Call on your way to let them know your concern so they can take appropriate preparatory measures.
 -  Run your car air conditioning with the windows down for the drive. The evaporation helps lower warm body temperature.
 -  Do not wrap your dog in a wet towel. This prevents the heat from leaving their body.
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