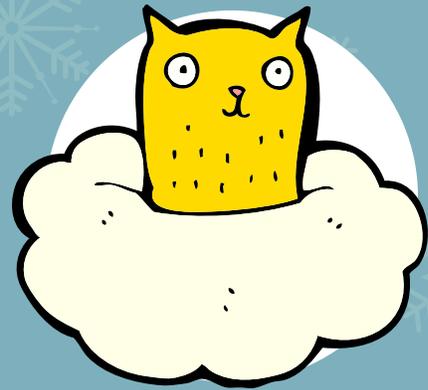


# WINTER SAFETY TIPS FOR PETS

” Just because your pet has fur, doesn't mean they can withstand the cold. Not all pets are “fine” when left outside and unsupervised without a heated shelter. Follow these tips to keep your pets safe and sound this winter season.



## TIP #1

Pets, like people, can suffer from frostbite and hypothermia. Coats, sweaters and booties can help your dog stay toasty warm on those long walks.

## TIP #2

There are many hazards such as salt and chemical de-icers that can cause painful paws. Booties can help prevent injuries and give your dog a better grip on ice.

## TIP #3

Wipe snow and ice off your dog's feet, legs and belly so they don't ingest harmful chemicals when licking their paws.

## TIP #4

Keep your cat inside. When left outdoors, felines can freeze, become lost, injured or killed.

## TIP #5

Fresh water is a must at all times. Pets do not get enough water from eating snow or ice.

## TIP #6

Beware of antifreeze - its TOXIC! A small amount can kill your animal, so get to a vet right away.



## TIP #7

Do not leave your pets in a cold car for long periods, it acts like a refrigerator. Keep them safe at home when you go shopping.

## TIP #8

Outdoor cats sometimes keep warm and sleep under the hoods of cars. Bang loudly on your car hood before starting the engine to give the cat a chance to escape.

## TIP #9

Make sure your companion animal has a warm place to sleep that is off the floor and away from drafts. A cozy dog or cat bed with a warm blanket or pillow is perfect.



” It can be easy to do what is right for our pets. This winter season, let's make sure you and your furry friends stay warm and safe.