

Winter pet safety tips

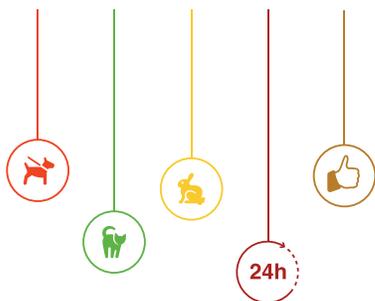


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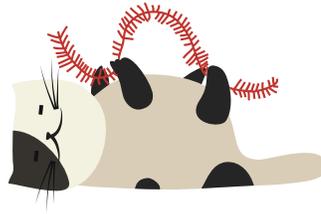
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- **Use a fa la la leash!** Keeping your pet on a leash will help keep them safe from heavy foot traffic, other animals, and cars. Walking your pet on a leash is important, even if you trust them.
- **Obey those red and green lights.** Be sure to cross at crosswalks and obey traffic rules. Jaywalking, running in the street unexpectedly, and ignoring traffic laws could result in a fine, or even worse, serious injury to you or your pet.
- **Baby it's cold outside!** Bringing your animals in the house will help prevent them from catching illnesses, getting into something they shouldn't, getting loose, or even being attacked.
- **Deck the halls with the humans.** Keep your pets away from holiday decorations to prevent choking, GI blockages, burns, cuts, and even electrocution.



- **Check that festive foliage!** Make sure you know about the deadly hazards of plants like lilies, poinsettias, holly, or mistletoe before bringing them to a home with pets.
- **Safe and bright!** Candles can be harmful due to their obvious potential to burn, but did you know that candles, smoke, and air fresheners can be deadly to birds? For a safe alternative, check out some super cool battery operated candles.
- **Ready for dinner?** Leave the human food to the humans! Macadamia nuts, chocolate, caffeine, alcohol, onions, garlic, and more can shut down vital organs, cause seizures, or even kill your pet. Bones and food wrappers are just as dangerous because they can create blockages or even splinter and perforate you pet's organs!
- **Going home for the holidays?** Make sure your pet sees your neighborhood veterinarian before traveling. Issues like anxiety, asthma, and cardiac problems can be made worse by stress or higher altitude.
- **Do you want to help make someone's holiday a little brighter?** Take your extra blankets, sheets, and towels to a local shelter or clinic to help keep those animals warm and cozy. You can also donate to thousands of amazing rescues and shelters— the best part is, even \$1.00 can make a difference.