

# Summer 2019 Newsletter



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## **Fourth of July Pet Safety Tips**

We would like to wish you a happy and safe 4th of July!

The 4th of July can be a very stressful and scary time for pets. Experts say more pets get lost on this day than on any other day throughout the year. We have some tips to help you keep your pets safe and comfortable.

1. If out and about with your pet, make sure they have plenty of fresh water to drink.
2. Hot grills pose a burn risk to unattended pups.
3. Pools are also a danger to exploring pets.
4. Alcohol and people food can lead to upset stomachs and even poisonings.
5. Glow jewelry, lighter fluid, matches, sunscreen, insect repellent and citronella products are toxic to pets.
6. Fireworks and sparklers are also toxic. Make sure to clean up the debris afterwards.
7. Make sure your pets have collars, ID tags and a microchip. Make sure your microchip contact information is up-to-date.
8. Make sure you have a current photo of your pet in case they get lost.
9. If having a party, consider keeping your pet in one room away from the chaos to help prevent escapees.
10. Leave your pets at home for the fireworks. Keep the windows closed and the shades drawn. Music or the TV can also help.
11. Tools like thundershirts, frozen stuffed Kongs or other treats and pheromone products can help.
12. There are anti-anxiety medications that can help your pet to cope with fireworks. Let us know if your pet is very anxious with fireworks.



### Hot Weather Safety Tips for Cats and Dogs

Hot weather can be dangerous to your pets. It's important to keep them comfy, cool and safe during our summer season. [Click here to learn more.](#)



### Five Tests Every New Pet Should Have

Getting a new pet is a big deal and everyone knows it is important to get off to a good start. So besides buying supplies and making your home pet-safe, you also want to make sure your new pet is healthy. [Click here to learn more.](#)



### What to Do if a Tick Head Gets Stuck in Your Dog's Skin

Even with the careful removal of a tick, it is very common for a mouth part, or even the entire head, to remain when a tick is extracted. [Click here to learn more.](#)