Pet Emergency Checklist

# Keep in Mind…

When an animal becomes ill or requires emergency first aid care, your veterinarian should be contacted **immediately** before attempting any at-home care.

# General Items

Book/printouts detailing animal first-aid procedures and tips

Copies of your pet’s medical/vaccination records

Contact information for your:

* Veterinarian
* Nearest emergency Veterinary clinic
* ASPCA’s Animal Poison Control Center (1-888-426-4435)
* Friend or family member that is familiar with your pet

# Pet-Specific Supplies

Spare leash and collar

Cloth or cage muzzle

Prescribed medication records

Bottled water and bowl

Bag of food (be sure to note expiration and replace as needed!)

Dog waste bag, paper towels, and antibacterial soap

# First-Aid Supplies

Gauze rolls and adhesive tapes – used to control bleeding and provide support for suspected sprains or bone breaks.)

Bandage scissors

Self-adhesive bandages (does not stick to fur)

Antiseptic products – Used on cutes and scratches to prevent infection and relieve pain

Cotton balls

Gauze pads (for wound cleaning)

Instant Ice pack

Saline solution

Blanket

Pet Carrier

# Over-the-Counter Items

Artificial tear solution

Veterinary-suggested allergy medicine, such as Diphenhydramine

Water-based sterile lubricant

Styptic powder or pencil

Rubbing alcohol

Hydrogen peroxide

Corn syrup for animals that are diabetic or have low blood sugar

# Useful Tools

Thermometer

Tweezers

Nail trimmers

Needle-nose pliers

Syringes of various sizes

Eye droppers

Flashlight

# REMEMBER!

* Injured pets may be scared, in pain, or confused.
* Even the gentlest of pets may bite or scratch
* Take precautions to avoid getting hurt:
  + Avoid mouth
  + Do not smother the pet
  + Stay calm, slowly move, and handle carefully
  + Stop if pet becomes agitated
  + Use a muzzle, but only if the animal is not vomiting.
* If possible, secure animal in a carrier during transport.
* To avoid distraction and provide comfort, have someone ride with you or drive you to the veterinarian.

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