

Tips for Pet Safe Holidays



When traveling, pets should wear collars and ID tags at all times and always be on a leash or in a carrier when outside or in a public place. Pack a pet travel kit for each pet to ensure they have everything they need. Include food, bowls, bags, medications, and travel documents. Never leave them alone in a parked vehicle.



Pets often see trees as a big play toy. Make sure your pet isn't chewing or climbing on branches. Keep water under tree covered.



When decorating the tree, skip the small, fragile ornaments and steer clear of tinsel to help avoid an accidental ingestion.

Those lights may look like a fun toy for cats. Keep the sparkle out of reach, or use rope lights.



Make sure your holiday plants are nontoxic to pets. Check the list at: goo.gl/vVhFYX



Make a rule: No table scraps for pets. They can be harmful.



If you are cold, then your pet probably is, too! Limit their outdoor time when the chill strikes. Keep haircuts long and give short-coated breeds a jacket when needed. The snow and cold can also be irritating to their sensitive paws and skin, so dry them off when coming inside and give them boots or paw protection.



Introduce your pets to visitors when they arrive and make sure they are comfortable with each other.

Never leave your pets alone with small children.



Celebrations can be loud. Give your pets a quiet place.

Watch those tails! Keep candles out of reach.



Don't leave edible gifts or boxes with hazardous ribbons/decorations under the tree while your pets are unattended.

Sweets and baked goods often contain ingredients that can be harmful to pets. Chocolate, raisins, dairy products, macadamia nuts, and even artificial sweeteners can be toxic for your furry friends. Keep proper pet treats close at hand when company comes and reserve the sweets for the human guests.



Keep your veterinarian's number handy.



Pick up unattended drinks promptly so Fido isn't tempted to take a sip.



Mass Animal Fund wishes everyone a **SAFE** and Happy Holiday Season!

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