5 TIPS FOR KEEPING YOUR PET SAFE THIS SUMMER

MICROCHIP YOUR PET

1 in 3 pets will be lost at some point in their life

IF NOT MICROCHIPPED, only 17% of lost dogs and 2% of lost cats ever find their way back home

FIREWORKS can spur a 30% increase in pet runaways

OVER 94% of lost pets with microchips are successfully reunited with their families

WALK THIS WAY

OUCH!
Hot surfaces, like concrete, can burn pets' paws

DON'T GET BITTEN
Summer is pest season: watch out for ticks, mosquitoes and fleas. Ask your vet for recommendations on preventatives

On summer walks, bring a portable water bowl to help prevent dehydration, be on the alert for snakes, foxtails and poisonous plants, and use a quality leash
NEVER LEAVE A PET IN A HOT CAR

It only takes minutes for a pet left in a hot vehicle to succumb to heatstroke.

IN JUST 15 MINUTES
An animal's body temperature can climb from its normal 102.5 degrees to deadly levels.

IN 60 MINUTES
The temperature inside a closed vehicle will increase by an average of 40 degrees Fahrenheit, regardless of the outside temperature.

VACATIONING? PLAN PET CARE

Make sure your pet is in good health and up to date on all vaccinations before you leave.

If your pet is along for the ride, keep a health certificate and medical records close at hand.

If your pet stays behind, arrange for someone to care for your pet while you're away.

KEEP PETS COOL AND HYDRATED

Always have fresh water available, keep pets in air conditioned areas when possible, and make sure they have access to shade when outside.

Kiddie pools, air conditioned dog houses and cool beds are great ways to keep pets cool.

70-80% of a dog or cat's body mass is water.

LOSING 10% of its body fluid can make your pet ill.