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HUMAN MEDICATION

Medications...
...that might be helpful for humans can be extremely harmful (or even deadly) to pets. Never give your pet medication without speaking to your vet first.



WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I THINK MY PET HAS BEEN POISONED?

S. Stop the pet from eating any more suspected poison

P. Phone the vets

E. Emergency appointment

E. Evidence – Bring packaging/ samples/vomit (in a safe manner)

D. Don't delay!

YOUR VET COULD BE A LIFE SAVER

S.P.E.E.D is the key!
NEVER just 'wait and see'. There may only be a small window in which treatment can be given to help your pet - often this is before any signs appear.

The sooner the treatment is given the higher the chance of a successful outcome for your pet.

IF YOU SUSPECT POISONING ACT FAST!

FURTHER INFORMATION
Check out our website at www.tvm-uk.com
Follow us at @petdangers for updates and FAQ's.



Scan the QR code to find out more

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BEWARE OF THE DANGERS

HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT



DON'T LET YOUR DOG OR CAT BE A VICTIM

PART OF OWNING PETS IS KNOWING HOW TO KEEP THEM SAFE

There are many items in and around the house that can be highly toxic and deadly to pets, even in very small quantities.

Many people are surprised at the items in this leaflet because they are generally day-to-day items in plain sight that you wouldn't have considered dangerous.

Please take note and make sure your pet does not have access to any of the substances detailed in this leaflet.

If you think they have, then follow our advice in the section 'I think my pet has been poisoned' on the back of this leaflet, and contact your vet as soon as possible.

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DRIED FRUIT



Grapes & their dried fruits
For some, a handful may be toxic, for others just one. Never take the risk with your dog!

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CHOCOLATE



Chocolate:
is a common pet poison - the higher the cocoa content, the more danger it poses!

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GARLIC



Garlic and onions...
...& their plant relatives like leeks or chives can cause anaemia in pets.

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XYLITOL



Xylitol (E967):
This sweetener can be found in many sweet treats and causes a dangerous drop in blood sugar levels (and occasionally liver failure).

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ANTI-FREEZE



Antifreeze:
Contains ethylene glycol, an extremely toxic ingredient - ingestion of even a small amount can cause kidney failure.



Bulbs and flowers:

Lilies in particular are extremely toxic to cats - if any of the plant is ingested, it can cause rapid and fatal kidney failure.

Rat poison:

One of the most commonly used class of rat poison in the UK is an 'anticoagulant' poison. It stops the blood from clotting and causes the rat to bleed to death. Unfortunately, the same symptoms can occur in any animal that eats it. Your pet must be seen by a vet quickly for the best chance of recovery.



Nicotine:

Since the popularity of E-cigarette devices has increased, so have the cases in poisoned dogs. Chewing cigarettes or E-cigarette cartridge refills can cause life-threatening nicotine poisoning. Nicotine is a rapidly acting toxin that needs immediate veterinary attention.



Mould:

Mouldy food found in the home or outside on the street can contain dangerous mycotoxins which, if ingested, can cause rapid and life threatening seizures and potentially even liver failure. Be careful to keep mouldy food (e.g. in food waste caddies) out of reach of pets.



Cleaners:

Most cleaners and detergents (including laundry pods) can cause serious problems if eaten by your pet. Always keep them out of reach and sight of pets (and children).



Slug bait:

Be careful not to put any slug bait where it can be eaten by your pet. Slug bait is commonly found as pellets, liquid or powder. It is often also sweetened, which makes it attractive to our pets.

TAKE EXTRA CARE AT CERTAIN TIMES OF THE YEAR LIKE EASTER AND CHRISTMAS

- Tinsel and baubles can cause severe internal damage
- Chewed fairy lights can cause electrocution
- Ingesting pine cones can cause obstruction
- Alcohol is often in abundance and easily accessible to pets
- Increased amounts of chocolate and raisin containing foods (mince pies, Christmas cake/pudding, hot cross buns)
- Many visitors who may not be aware of the dangers of certain items

