

70 DEGREES IS TOO HOT TO LEAVE A DOG IN THE CAR

A hot oven or a hot car...
it's the same thing.

Running into the store for "just a minute"
can be fatal for a dog left in the car.



Every year, dogs suffer and die when their guardians make the mistake of leaving them in a parked car - even for "just a minute."

Parked cars are deathtraps for dogs!

Animals can sustain brain damage or even die from heatstroke in just 15 minutes.

Estimated Vehicle Interior Air Temperature v. Elapsed Time

Elapsed Time	Outside Air Temperature (Fahrenheit)					
Original Interior Temperature	70	75	80	85	90	95
After 10 minutes	89	94	99	104	109	114
After 20 minutes	99	104	109	114	119	124
After 30 minutes	104	109	114	119	124	129
After 40 minutes	108	113	118	123	128	133

Exercise your dog early or late in the day. All dogs, especially flat faced breeds can overheat quickly.



Provide fresh water daily. Clam shell pools and doggy ice treats/kongs/home alone toys are great fun, keeps them cool and provides mental enrichment.



Check the temperature of the ground or sand because if it's too hot to touch, then it's TOO HOT for their PAWS.



Leave dogs in a shady area, bearing in mind the movement of the sun as the day passes.



Never walk your dog when the temperature is over 30C (85F), their paws burn on hot pavement and hot sand.



Never leave your dog in a parked car on a warm day. Even on a cool day, the temperature in the car is much hotter than outside and can lead to brain damage or death!!



SIGNS OF HEATSTROKE

Pale pink gums (instead of bright pink), heavy panting with occasional frothing at the mouth, disorientation, increased heart rate.

WHAT TO DO

Remove the pet from the heat source immediately. Increase Ventilation (fan) and apply cool water or a cool towel compress. Do not apply ice. Reapply the cool towels frequently. Offer water to your pet, but don't force it.

If you see a dog in a car displaying signs of heatstroke, you can help:

1. Call 911
2. Document the time
3. Stay with the car until law enforcement arrives