

Heatstroke in Dogs

These are the signs of heat stroke:

- Shallow breathing
- Heavy panting
- Rapid pulse
- The heart is racing
- Body temperature increased (above 40°C)
- Deep red tongue
- Glassy look
- Ears (inner side) hot and red
- Exhaustion
- Cramps
- Vomit
- Diarrhea
- Disorders of consciousness
- Balance disorders
- Tumbling
- Apathy
- Unconsciousness

First aid measures:

- Move the animal to shade and a cooler environment.
- Offer the dog water, but never force the liquid.
- Cool the head and neck and place the animal on a damp towel.
- Slowly wet your legs, starting from the bottom.
- If possible, shower the animal carefully, starting from the bottom of the legs.
- If the dog is unconscious, place it on its right side and stretch its head and neck so that the animal does not choke on its tongue.

MUST NOTE:

- Under no circumstances should you pour water over the dog as there is a risk of shock!
- Never use ice-cold water, there is a danger to life!

Attention please:

See a veterinarian immediately and without delay! Only the vet has the options and knowledge to prevent irreparable damage and the dog to be treated as an emergency.