Preventing Heatstroke

The best way to avoid this terrible situation is prevention— it’s all up to you!

~ Provide plenty of fresh water in a bowl that cannot be tipped over.
~ If your pet lives outdoors, ensure adequate shelter from sun/midday heat.
~ Outdoor kennels should be well-ventilated and shaded.
~ Avoid excessive exercise on hot days; take water bowls with you (do not allow your pets to drink from a puddle or a creek).
~ Talk with your veterinarian or groomer to determine if your long-haired Fido needs a summer haircut.

Additional local resources at your service:

County Shelter: Henderson County Animal Services
828/697-4723
hendersoncountync.org/animals/

Animal Enforcement: Henderson County Sheriff
828/697-4912
hendersoncountync.org/sheriff

Spay/Neuter Information: Community Partnership for Pets, Inc.
828/693-5172
communitypartnershipforte.org/

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Tips to Protect Your Pets in the Warmer Months
The Dangers of Summer

Temperatures are soaring into the 90s and 100s and such intense heat is not only dangerous for humans but for pets as well.

Cars are potential death traps during the hot summer months because inside temperatures can quickly climb to more than 120F degrees on even a mild sunny day.

It is best to leave your pet at home while running errands during the summer!

Tips

- Be aware of your plans for the day. If you start out early with your pet in the car when it is cool outside, by noon it could be 30 degrees warmer—so please plan ahead.

- If you have an outdoor area—and there is no shade available for your pet—consider placing landscape (breathable) cloth across the top or wood planking or fiberglass to offer some shade from the direct sun.

- With multiple dogs, always put down multiple water bowls so each pet has ample water.