HEAT STROKE symptoms & next steps

EVS offers a close distance to the foothills with a **24-hour emergency hospital**.



SEEK IMMEDIATE VETERINARY HELP: With fast and appropriate action, your dog has a good chance of recovery.

Symptoms:

- Excessive panting
- Excessive drooling
- Bright red gums or tongue color
- Increased heart rate
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Lethargy
- Confusion
- Weakness
- Collapsing
- Seizures

Take action:

- 1. Move the dog to a shaded area or position the dog in front of the air conditioner on the way to the vet.
- 2. Allow the dog to drink small amounts of water.
- 3. In a true emergency, you can pour **cool** (not cold) water over the dog. Water is better than nothing.



Can a dog survive heat stroke?

Heat stroke is an **immediate** medical emergency. **Most dogs will recover if treated appropriately.** The treatment consists of a medically controlled reduction of body temperature. If you think your dog is experiencing heat stroke, please contact **Evolution Veterinary Specialists** as soon as possible.



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