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Annually



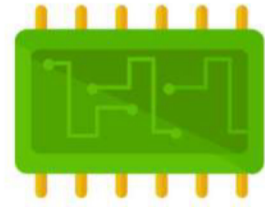
Regular Visits to the Vet

Visit the vet at least once a year for necessary vaccines and to keep abreast of any potential health issues that may arise. Just like humans, dogs can develop heart or other health problems. The earlier you catch these issues, the more treatable they'll be.



Maintain a Healthy Weight

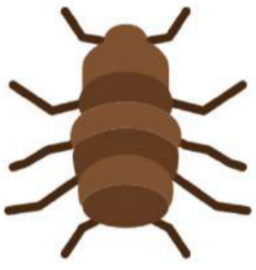
Being overweight is just as detrimental to dogs as it is to humans. Extra weight strains internal organs, bones, and joints, and ultimately causes disease. Make sure you aren't overfeeding, and that your dog gets plenty of exercise. If you're unsure of the healthy weight range for your dog's breed, ask your vet.



Keep Identification Up to Date

Microchipping is the best way to ensure a safe and happy reunion should you be separated from your dog. ID tags should always be updated with current contact info, and microchip registration information should be promptly updated if you relocate.

Seasonally



Prevent Fleas, Ticks and Parasites

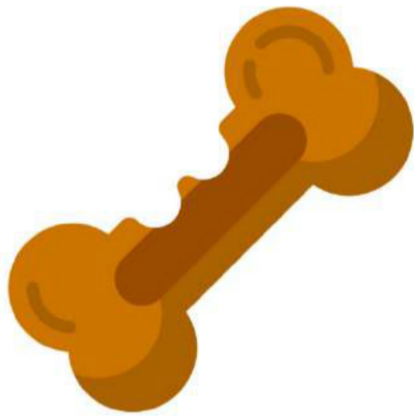
Fleas and ticks can be more than an irritation to your dog. Regular preventive measures protect her from skin problems and parasites that cause illness, and from Lyme disease, which can also cause paralysis.

Give Your Dog Seasonal Heartworm Medicine

Heartworm can be devastating to your dog's health because it can result in serious lung disease, heart failure, or other fatal organ failure. Talk to your vet about seasonal heartworm medicine.



Weekly



Care for Your Dog's Teeth and Gums

80% of dogs show signs of dental disease by age three, but few exhibit signs. Your dog can't tell you he's got a toothache, so it's up to you to keep his teeth healthy. Weekly brushing or use of dental-cleaning treats, and cleanings as recommended by your vet, will keep your dog's teeth and gums healthy and strong.

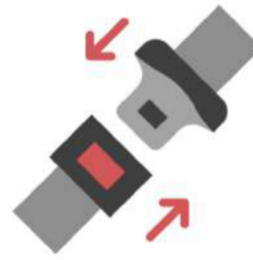
Daily

Feed a Nalanced/Healthy Diet

Consult your vet about recommended food for your pooch and how often treats can be given. There are toxic foods your pet should never have, including xylitol (found in sugar-free gum, candy and toothpaste), onions, grapes, and chocolate (dark and baker's chocolate) are extremely toxic. Avoid bones, which pose a choking hazard and can splinter, blocking or cutting the digestive tract.



Use Proper Restraints When Traveling

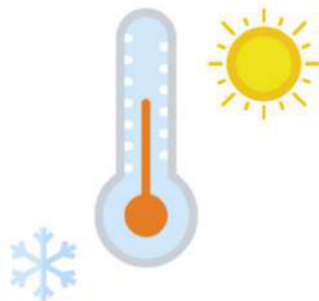


We buckle ourselves and our children up for safety when we hit the road and our dogs need to be kept safe too! Secured pet carriers or harnesses are the best option for safety. Don't place dogs in the front seat where an airbag could deploy and never allow them to ride in a truck bed or with their head out the window where they'll be at risk of ejection or flying objects that can cause serious injury.



Stimulate Them with Interaction and Playtime

Dogs need stimulation and interaction, whether it's a walk or some extra snuggles and attention. When you're away, give them access to a window they can look out, and a favorite bone or toy to occupy them.



Avoid Extreme Temperatures

Whether too hot, or too cold, never subject your pet to extreme temperatures. Safeguarding them from extreme temperatures indoors and in vehicles is equally important. Never leave your pet in your car unattended, and if you're traveling in an RV or you're away from your pet during the day while you work, it's important to monitor his or her environment. Use a **reliable pet temperature monitor** that alerts you if the temperature in your pet's environment becomes too hot or cold while you're away.

Spay or Neuter Your Dog

Approximately 3.3 million dogs enter shelters in the U.S. each year, and of that number about 670,000 are euthanized. As a dog lover, spaying or neutering your pet is the most humane thing you can do.

