

ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center warns pet owners:

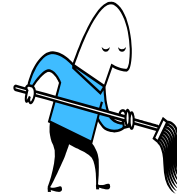
Prevention is key to avoiding accidental ingestion of antifreeze!

Motorists can help prevent accidental ingestion of antifreeze. According to a study conducted by the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center, most cases of antifreeze poisoning occur around the pet's own home and are usually due to improper storage or disposal. Therefore, the APCC wants to educate vehicle owners on the safe use, storage and disposal of antifreeze to help prevent accidental ingestion.

The following are some guidelines for pet owners to follow to avoid pet exposures to antifreeze:

ASPCA Antifreeze Poisoning Prevention Tips

- ⇒ Always clean up antifreeze spills immediately.
- ⇒ Check your car regularly for leaks.
- ⇒ Always store antifreeze containers in clearly marked containers and in areas that are inaccessible to your pets.
- ⇒ Never allow your pets to have access to the area when you are draining antifreeze from your car.
- ⇒ Propylene glycol containing products are a less toxic form of antifreeze and could be used instead of conventional ethylene glycol antifreeze.



If you suspect your pet has ingested antifreeze, contact your veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (1-888-4-ANI-HELP) immediately!

ALWAYS Be Prepared !!!

Your animal may become poisoned in spite of your best efforts to prevent it. You should keep telephone numbers for your veterinarian, a local emergency veterinary service, and the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (**1-888-4 ANI-HELP**) in a convenient location. If you suspect that your pet has ingested something poisonous, seek medical attention immediately.

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ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center, an operating division of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) is a unique, emergency hotline providing 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week telephone assistance to veterinarians and pet owners. The Center's hotline veterinarians can quickly answer questions about toxic substances found in our everyday surroundings that can be dangerous to animals. The Center maintains a wide collection of reference materials and computer databases that help provide toxicological information for various species. Veterinary professionals provide around-the-clock, on-site coverage of the Center. The licensed staff members share over one hundred and ten years of combined call center experience and over seventy-five years of combined toxicology, clinical, and diagnostic experience. The phone number of the Center is 1-888-4-ANI-HELP (1-888-426-4435) and the website is www.aspc.org/apcc.