

# Emergency Care

If you suspect your pet needs emergency care, please call our hospital right away. When our office is closed, you can call an animal emergency clinic. These clinics are prepared to take emergencies at any time.

## **Animal Emergency Clinic**

739 Warren Avenue Portland, Me 04103  
[www.animalemergencyclinicportland.com](http://www.animalemergencyclinicportland.com)  
(207) 878-3121

## **Animal Emergency Clinic of Mid-Maine**

37 Strawberry Avenue Lewiston, Me 04240  
[www.aec-midmaine.com](http://www.aec-midmaine.com)  
(207) 777-1110

## **Household Hazards**

- These are common foods that can be toxic or dangerous for our pets:

**Chocolate** contains a compound called Theobromine, which can be fatal to dogs.

**Coffee, tea** or other **caffeinated** beverages

**Raisins & grapes** contain toxins that may result in kidney damage.

**Onions**

**Xylitol** is a sugar-alcohol sweetener contained in chewing gum and candy. Causes low blood sugar and can be fatal.

**Alcoholic beverages**

**Recreational drugs**

**Macadamia nuts**

**Avacodo** (leaves, bark, skin, and pit)

**Moldy or spoiled foods**

**Table food** or **fatty foods** that your pet is not used to may cause diarrhea, vomiting, or pancreatitis.

**Pills** – prescription or over the counter medications that are safe for humans are not always safe for our pets. Never give your pets Ibuprofen (Advil) or Acetaminophen (Tylenol), because they are toxic to pets.

- Most common household dangers to pets:

**Rodenticide** – rat/mouse poisons should be kept away from any area where your pet may reach them.

**Household cleaners** (bleaches, detergents, etc.)

**Antifreeze** is fatal to pets. The sweet smell and taste may be attractive to their sensitive nose. If your pet consumes any amount of antifreeze, rush him immediately to the veterinarian.

**Fertilizers/lawn treatments/insecticides** – keep pets away from areas that have been treated with chemicals.

**Plants** – many plants (indoor and outdoor) can be toxic to our pets. Please keep them in an area where your pets cannot reach them.

**Paintballs** are bright, colorful, tempting to dogs. Keep them out of reach and keep dogs out of areas where people play with paintballs.