

Cool Pets on Hot Days



Leaving your pet in a hot car for even a short period of time can be very dangerous. Even with all windows cracked, the temperature of a car's interior can quickly rise to deadly levels.

Pets do not sweat the way we do; they cannot cool their bodies efficiently in hot temperatures. When overheated, pets can go into shock, leading to irreversible organ failure and death.

- Car temperatures can be more than 40 degrees higher than outside
- When it's 80 outside, the car temp can rise to 99 in just 10 minutes
- At that same external temp, the car gets to 109 in 20 minutes and 114 within a half-hour



Vehicle heat study diagrams courtesy of GM.