

BLEEDING

Apply a tight bandage. Add another layer if blood seeps through. Use towel/clothing if necessary (tourniquet: last resort). Where a bandage won't work, apply a pad and keep pressing firmly. Go to a veterinarian immediately.

Order of bandages:

- 1. Non-adhesive dressing
- 2. Cotton bandage, followed by cotton wool
- 3. Cotton bandage again
- 4. Surgical tape (stick to hair)
- 5. Cover it all with adhesive bandage/tape (stick to hair)

IMPORTANT

- **Don't wrap their paws when wrapping limb.**
- **Don't leave bandages on for more than 24 hours.**

BROKEN BONES

Address bleeding and don't a apply splint. Place your dog in a confined space for emergency transportation (a box can work for smaller dogs).

BURNS AND SCALDS

Run cold water over the wound for 5 minutes minimum. Contact your veterinarian as soon as possible. Keep your dog warm and don't apply any substances on the wound. If you can't get to a veterinarian immediately, apply a saline-soaked dressing.

POISONED

Call your veterinarian immediately: if your dog has been poisoned by ingestion, read contents/ingredients on packet. If they have ingested a poisonous plant, identify or describe it.

BALL LODGED IN THROAT

If you can't get to a veterinarian quickly, try pushing on the throat/neck from the outside. For blue gums/tongue or collapsed dog have one person open your dog's mouth and another reach inside to remove the ball. Alternatively lay dog on its side and have one person press down on the dog's abdomen sharply and then suddenly behind its last rib; when the ball is visible have another reach inside its mouth to remove it.

CONTAMINATED COAT

Prevent your dog from licking his/her coat. Use an Elizabethan collar. Cut off affected hair if possible. Never use turpentine or paint removers. For larger affected areas, visit the veterinary immediately.

HEAT STROKE

Distressed or panting heavily? Contact your veterinarian immediately. Get dog to a cool spot, ideally in a draught. Wet coat with lukewarm (not cold) water. Offer small amount of water.

SEIZURE

During fit, avoid holding/comforting dog. Darken the room and reduce any noise. Remove and/or pad surrounding items. Call your veterinarian for additional assistance.

FIGHT

If the dog is distressed, shocked or tired call the veterinarian. If there's severe pain and/or a puncture wound to the head or body, consult a veterinarian immediately.

EYE INJURY

Call your veterinarian. If it's bulging out: apply a wet dressing and prevent rubbing/scratching. if the eye has been in contact with chemicals: flush eyes with water repeatedly from eye drop bottle if possible.

DROWNING

Wipe the muzzle and drain water by holding upside down by hind legs. Resuscitate your dog if his/her breathing stopped. See the veterinarian as soon as possible after the incident.

ELECTRIC SHOCK

High voltage: stay away from the area and call the police immediately. At home: switch off the power. If you can't, use a dry non-metallic item, e.g. a broom handle, to push your dog away from the power source. Resuscitate if breathing stopped and call your veterinarian right away.

STUNG

Remove sting without pinching poison sac. Bathe area in water or bicarbonate of soda solution. Apply ice. Call the veterinarian if your dog was stung in mouth or throat.

SWOLLEN ABDOMEN

Sudden swelling is serious. Phone your veterinarian without delay.