

In Home Checklist for New Pets

Avoid these common hazards to make your home safer for your new puppy or kitten

Room-by-room Checklist

KITCHEN

- Oven door closed
- Dishwasher door closed
- Knives/cooking utensils put away
- Food scraps and bones carefully disposed of
- Cans and bottles rinsed and placed in trash or recycle bin
- Trash and recycle bin secure

LIVING / FAMILY ROOM

- “Swallowable” objects off of floor and furniture
- No frayed or dangling electrical cords
- Fireplace screen in place and closed
- Plants placed in inaccessible locations

BATHROOM

- Medicines capped tightly and stored out of reach
- Personal grooming products put away
- Hair accessories and jewelry put away
- Hairdryer cord (and other cords) out of sight
- Toilet lid closed

UTILITY ROOM

- Washer/Dryer doors closed
- Cleaning chemicals and laundry supplies in closed cabinet
- Iron and ironing board put away

BEDROOM

- Closets and drawers checked before closing

Common Household Poisons

Acetaminophen (Tylenol)
Antifreeze
Aspirin
Bleach
Boric Acid
Brake fluid
Carbon Monoxide
Carburetor fluid
Cleaning fluid
Deodorants
Deodorizers
Disinfectants
Drain cleaner
Dye
Fungicides
Furniture polish
Gasoline
Hair colorings
Herbicides
Insecticides
Laxatives
Metal polish
Mineral spirits
Mothballs
Nail polish and remover
Paint
Paint remover
Permanent wave lotion
Phenol
Photographic developer
Rat poison
Rubbing alcohol
Shoe polish
Sleeping pills
Snail or slug bait
Soaps / detergents
Suntan lotion
Tar
Turpentine
Windshield washer fluid
Wood preservatives

Poisonous Plants

Amaryllis (bulb)
Andromeda
Appleseeds (cyanide)
Arrowgrass
Avocado
Azalea
Bittersweet
Boxwood
Buttercup
Caladium
Castor Bean
Cherry Pits (cyanide)
Chokecherry
Climbing Lily
Crown of Thorns
Daphne Delphinium
Dieffenbachia
Dumb Cane
Elephant Ear
English Ivy
Elderberry
Foxglove
Hemlock
Holly
Hyacinth (bulb)
Hydrangea
Iris (bulb)
Japanese Yew
Jasmine (berries)
Jerusalem Cherry
Jimson Weed
Laburnum
Larkspur
Laurel
Locoweed
Marigold
Marijuana
Mistletoe (berries)
Monkshood
Mushrooms
Narcissus (bulb)
Nightshade
Oleander
Peach
Philodendron
Poinsettia
Poison Ivy
Privet
Rhododendron
Rhubarb
Snow on the Mountain
Stinging Nettle
Tobacco
Toadstool
Tulip (bulb)
Walnuts
Wisteria