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Holiday Safety for Equine, and Backyard Livestock



Holiday Animal Safety Checklist

Holidays can be stressful not just for people but for animals, too. A little advance planning and prep can go a long way to keeping critters and visitors happy, and healthy.

Guests and Your Animals

- Give visitors a quick safety lesson about how to offer treats to animals.
- Introduce people to animals slowly.
- Supervise kids around animals.
- Boots or sturdy shoes around animals.
- Check gates and doors after guests visit with outdoor animals.
- Stay informed about infectious disease outbreaks affecting animals in your area.

Treat Time Tips

Avoid nipped fingers & trampled toes!

- Limit treat portions.
- Do not feed whole apples.
- Don't feed candy to animals.



Traveling with Your Animals

- Reduce distractions in the cab, be aware of other drivers & tailgaters.
- Always have a co-pilot.
- Make sure you can get emergency info along the way.
- Add safety tape & caution signs to trailer.
- Give your travel plans to emergency contacts.
- Make sure animal travelers have ID.

Winter Hazards for Equines & Friends

BARN SAFETY TIPS

- Use only appropriate appliances and extension cords.
- Store hay properly & monitor temperature.
- Fire extinguishers keep them maintained and know how to use them.
- Keep decorations out of reach of animals.
- Don't use toxic greenery, pine cones, etc.



OUTDOORS & ON TRAILS

- Leaning trees and hanging branches.
- Slick trails, hidden mud, quicksand, unstable banks.
- Heed Beach Hazard warnings and signs for tides, sneaker waves, etc.
- Stay connected: Carry a radio or other device.







ANIMAL EMERGENCY CONTACTS



OWNER			
STREET			
TOWN	STATE		
PHONE			
EMERGENCY CONTACT #2			
EMERGENCY CONTACT #3			
VETERINARIAN			
PHONE			
VETERINARIAN #2			

PHONE

If you know or suspect that your pet ate something he or she shouldn't, take steps fast!

- Call your veterinarian or a Veterinary Emergency Hospital.
- Call the Pet Poison Hotline.

PET POISON HELPLINE

855-764-7661

PetPoisonHelpline.com