Severe Weather Considerations

Severe weather and emergency situations can come in many forms and can become especially dangerous. In the event of extreme weather or a disaster, it is important to include your pet in your emergency plan.

- Make sure your pet is microchipped and collars and tags are updated
- Speak to your veterinarian about animal medications to calm anxiety; you can purchase a thundershirt to also help
- Bring your pets indoors during severe weather, including storms, winter and heat advisories
- Keep animals away from windows
- Prepare a pet disaster kit in case of evacuation
- Establish a plan and collect information on local veterinary offices, rescues, or shelters

Below are some helpful articles to help address hazards the weather present to your animals during severe weather and emergencies.

- CDC: Protect your pets in emergency
- ASPCA: 5 Pet Safety Tips for Storm
- Hills Pet: Keeping pets calm during thunderstorms
- Ready.gov: Prepare your pets for disaster
- AKC: <u>Dog Thunderstorm anxiety</u>: how to help