



DOG HEATSTROKE

What to Watch For and What to Do

Early Warning Signs



Heavy panting that doesn't slow down



Move to a shaded or air-conditioned area



Excessive drooling or sticky saliva



Offer cool (not cold) water



Bright red gums or tongue



Wet key areas: neck, armpits, groin



Lethargy or disinterest in activity



Pale or purple gums



Rectal temp over 104°F (40°C)

What to Do:

- Move to a shaded or air-conditioned area
- Offer cool (not cold) water
- Wet key areas: neck, armpits; groin'
- Create airflow with fan or towel

Emergency Response:

- Cool gradually—avoid ice
- Keep dog calm
- Transport to vet ASAP