



## **Animal Summer Care**

**Some helpful tips to keep your pet safe in the cold winter months.**  
**Berea Animal Control 440-826-5842**

Summer can be as deadly to your dog as winter, especially for the very young or geriatric pet. A dog's normal body temperature range is between 101 and 102 making heat stroke a definite possibility.

Your dog should have constant shade, shelter (Dog House), and plenty of fresh water. A round plastic pool kept filled with clean water can bring welcome relief to a dog during summer months. Most discount stores carry them for less than ten dollars.

Heartworm, fleas, ticks, skin disease, and other internal parasites are common. Annual visits to your vet, which includes a fecal exam, vaccinations, flea treatments, heartworm testing and preventive, is a must of all pets whether housed indoor or out. Worms such as round, whip and hook can be fatal if left untreated. When treating your pet for fleas, don't forget to treat your home and the pet area outside.

NEVER leave your pet in a parked car during hot or cold weather. Even with the car windows open, the temperature inside the car can reach more than 100 degrees in just a few minutes. Parking in the shade will not guarantee the safety of your pet.

**LEAVING YOUR PET UNATTENDED IN A PARKED CAR IS  
AGAINST THE LAW AND YOU WILL BE CITED.**

If you use common sense regarding your pet, the decision you make will be the right one and the safest one.