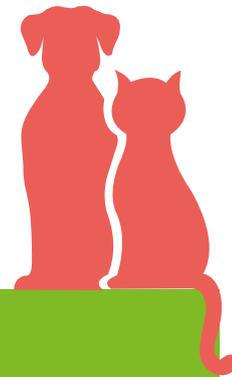


# COVID 19: Your Pet's Health

During both national or local lockdowns, so much can change for you and your pet. You may not be able to visit your veterinary practice in the usual way, however it is important to look after your pet's health to prevent any problems.



## What could impact your pet's health?

- Changes to planned non-emergency medical procedures
- Difficulty visiting your vet
- Not getting your pet neutered or vaccinated
- Not being able to get your usual flea, tick or worm treatments
- Not being able to get advice on your pet's behaviour
- Not being able to get your pet microchipped
- Any weight gain during lockdown
- Not being able to visit your pet's groomer



## Professional Help

- For any pet health concerns, contact your vet by telephone to seek help
- Don't turn up in person unless asked to by your vet - follow their advice if you go to the practice
- Make sure you have a face covering in case you need to visit your vet

You can get more advice from charities [RSPCA](#), [PDSA](#), [Cats Protection](#), [Dogs Trust](#), [Blue Cross](#) and from veterinary associations such as [BSAVA](#) and the [BVA](#) along with [COVID-19](#) resources and general advice.



## What can you do?

- Know what to do in an emergency with [Pet First Aid](#)
- Keep your home and garden free from [hazards](#)
- Know what symptoms your pet may display if they are unwell with a [symptom checker](#)
- If you have been unable to get your pet [neutered](#), contact your vet to discuss whether it can be arranged and be careful about accidental matings
- If your pet has not been [vaccinated recently](#), contact your vet to see if it can be arranged
- Protect your [dog](#) and [cat](#) from fleas, [ticks](#) and [worms](#) with products which are safe for your pet
- Prevent behaviour problems in your puppy or kitten using our behaviour resource
- Help prevent your dog or cat feeling anxious or stressed when separated on your return to work – start planning your return now
- Maintain your pet's coat and contact a groomer for advice
- Look after their teeth with regular brushing if appropriate for your [cat](#) or [dog](#)
- Only use medicines intended for use [for your pet](#) at the correct dosage



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