

Saving Your Pet With CPR

If there is no breathing and no pulse, begin CPR immediately.

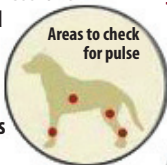
1 Check for breathing & pulse
Check for pulse using middle and index finger below wrist, inner thigh, below the ankle or where left elbow touches the chest.

3 If no pulse, start compressions
Lay animal on right side and place hands over ribs where its elbow touches the chest. Begin compressions.
Do not give compressions if dog has a pulse.

2 Look for other warning signs

- Gums and lips will appear gray
- Pupils will be dilated

4 If not breathing, give mouth-to-mouth
Cats & small dogs: place your mouth over nose and mouth, blow air in.
Medium-large dogs: place your mouth over nose, blow air in.



Repeat Procedure

- Check pulse after 1 minute and then every few minutes
- Continue giving CPR until animal has a pulse or is breathing
- Stop CPR after 20 minutes



Diagram Source:
American Red Cross

Animal Size	Compress Chest	Compressions per breath
Under 30 lbs.	1/2 - 1 inch	5
30-90 lbs.	1 - 3 inches	5
Over 90 lbs.	1 - 3 inches	10

Pet First Aid Supplies Checklist

Important Phone Numbers

My Veterinarian: _____ • Animal Poison Control: 888-426-4435

✓ Gauze	For wrapping wounds or muzzling
✓ Nonstick bandages, towels, strips of clean cloth	To control bleeding or protect wounds
✓ Adhesive tape for bandages <i>(do NOT use human adhesive bandages i.e. band-aids on pets)</i>	For securing the gauze or bandage
✓ Milk of Magnesia	To absorb poison. Always contact a doctor before inducing vomiting or treating an animal for poison.
✓ Hydrogen Peroxide	To induce vomiting. Always contact a doctor before inducing vomiting or treating an animal for poison.
✓ Digital "Fever" Thermometer <i>The scale on a regular thermometer does not go high enough for pets.</i>	Do not insert a thermometer in your pet's mouth--the temperature must be taken rectally.
✓ Oral Syringe	To give oral treatments or flush wounds
✓ Muzzle <i>(in an emergency a rope, necktie, soft cloth, nylon stocking or small towel may be used.)</i>	To prevent biting caused by pain or shock. If your pet is vomiting, do not muzzle.
✓ Stretcher <i>(in an emergency a door, board, blanket or floor mat may be used)</i>	To stabilize the injured animal and prevent further injury during transport.



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