

# PET EMERGENCY? KNOW WHEN TO ACT FAST!

Your furry friend's life could depend on it.
Our 24/7 ER is here whenever disaster strikes.



# Go to the ER immediately if your pet has:



## **Difficulty Breathing**

If your pet is gasping, wheezing, or struggling to breathe, this is a critical emergency.
Respiratory distress can indicate heart failure, severe allergic reactions, or airway obstruction, all of which require immediate attention.



### Seizures or Unresponsiveness

Seizures, sudden collapse, or unresponsiveness are critical emergencies. These symptoms may be caused by epilepsy, toxins, or severe metabolic issues. Immediate intervention is necessary to stabilize your pet.



#### **Severe Trauma or Injury**

Accidents happen. If your pet has been hit by a car, fallen from a height, or sustained any serious injury, do not wait to see if it improves on its own. Internal bleeding, broken bones, or head trauma can worsen rapidly.



# Sudden Lameness or Inability to Move

If your pet suddenly cannot walk, stand, or move a limb, it may be experiencing nerve damage, severe pain, or trauma. Prompt evaluation prevents long-term complications.



# **Ingestion of Toxic Substances**

Many everyday items can be dangerous to pets, including chocolate, grapes, medications, and household chemicals. If your pet ingests a toxic substance, bring them to the ER immediately, even if they seem fine at first. Quick action can prevent severe complications.



# Severe Bleeding

Any uncontrolled or profuse bleeding warrants an ER visit. Apply gentle pressure and seek care immediately to prevent shock.



#### Persistent Vomiting or Diarrhea

While occasional upset stomachs are common, persistent vomiting or diarrhea, especially with blood or lethargy, can indicate infections, poisoning, or organ failure. Rapid dehydration can occur in a matter of hours.

# When in Doubt, Come In

Pets can't tell us how they feel, and sometimes subtle changes in behavior, like hiding, reluctance to eat, or unusual vocalizations, can indicate a serious problem. If you're unsure whether it's an emergency, it's always safer to bring your pet in.