

HOT PAWS

Prevent burnt paw pads during summer months: **avoid hot surfaces**



Asphalt, metal, concrete and rocky surfaces can get *very* hot on a summer day: 10-30 degrees warmer than the ambient air.

- Walk in a grassy area
- Take walks during cooler mornings or evenings
- Buy protective dog boots; styles are available in a variety of sizes and price points
- Test the surface by pressing your hand to the ground for 5 seconds; if it's too hot for you it's too hot for your pet's paws
- If you suspect your pet has heat-injured paws, visit your vet immediately

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