You, your children, and your pets can become lead poisoned any time you breathe lead dust, fumes, or swallow anything that contains lead.

Pets should not be allowed to sit or lay in window wells of homes built before 1978. The older the home, the more likely it is to have lead paint.

Pets can track lead dust into your home from lead in soil or chipping/peeling paint on the outside of your home.

Lead dust collects on pets fur or feet and can easily be tracked or spread inside your home.

Following Lead Safe Work

Practices when renovations are
being done can protect
everyone...

PETS INCLUDED.

Call the Forsyth County
Department of Public Health
at the number below to find
out how you can protect
yourself, your children and
your pet from lead poisoning.





Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program PO Box 686 799 N. Highland Ave Winston-Salem, NC 27102

> 336-703-3174 www.forsyth.cc/PublicHealth/ EnvironmentalHealth/lead

# PROTECT YOUR PETS FROM LEAD POISONING





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### PETS CAN HAVE THE FOLLOWING PROBLEMS FROM BECOMING LEAD POISONED

Vomiting

Loss of appetite

Stomach pain

Diarrhea

**Behavior changes** 

Aggression or lack of energy

Seizures

**Blindness** 

Muscle spasms



# WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PROTECT YOUR PETS

Remove pets from older homes during remodeling.

Do not allow pets to be in areas where there is chipping or peeling paint.

Keep pets away from things that can be easily swallowed such as fishing sinkers, plumbing materials, and imported toys and jewelry.

Do not use ceramic food or water bowls.

Do not keep food/water bowls or bedding under windows where you see chipping or peeling paint.

# PUPPIES, KITTENS AND OTHER SMALL PETS CAN GET LEAD POISONED EASIER THAN ADULT PETS







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