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WHY IS CHOCOLATE TOXIC TO PETS?

Made from the beans of the cacao tree, chocolate contains two substances that can harm dogs and cats.

Caffeine & Theobromine



If you think your cat or dog has ingested chocolate, call your veterinarian or the ASPCA® Animal Poison Control Center at **1-888-426-4435** right away.

WHAT ARE THE SIGNS?

Symptoms that a pet has ingested a toxic amount of chocolate usually occur within 6 to 12 hours and vary by amount ingested.

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Tremors
- Seizures
- Death
- Arrhythmia
- Excessive Thirst
- Racing Heartbeat
- High Blood Pressure

HOW MUCH IS TOO MUCH?

No amount of chocolate is safe for dogs. Even a little nibble can make a pet sick, especially for smaller pups. The amounts shown here can cause seizures or worse.



DOG WEIGHT	Yorkshire Terrier or 5 lbs.	Pug or 20 lbs.	Golden Retriever or 75 lbs.	Mastiff or 160 lbs.
DANGER ZONE MILK CHOC.	1.42 oz.	5.6 oz.	21.5 oz.	45 oz.
SEMI-SWEET	0.56 oz.	2.25 oz.	8.3 oz.	18 oz.
BAKER'S CHOC.	0.23 oz.	0.92 oz.	3.45 oz.	7.3 oz.



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