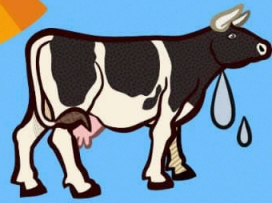


# HEAT STROKE



## IT IS:

An increase in body temperature (usually above 40°C) that results in the dysfunction of multiple body systems. It is associated with extreme environmental temperatures and/or strenuous exercise without appropriate cooling mechanisms.

## SOME SIGNS ARE:

1. Fever
2. Collapse
3. Diarrhea (often bloody)
4. Vomiting
5. Difficulty breathing
6. Uncoordinated walk
7. Seizures
8. Coma



## TREATMENT

1. Cooling the animal - can be started at home before taking them to the vet. **DO NOT USE ICE!**
2. Fluids
3. Maintaining the airway and breathing.
4. Symptomatic care

## PREVENTION

1. Provide shade & drinking water at all times.
2. Do NOT leave your pets in locked vehicles.
3. Only allow them to exercise or work in cooler temperatures.

