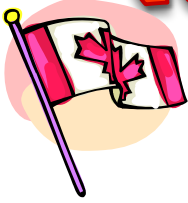




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Behavioral Problems

Behavioral problems are common in pets and should be treated with caution. If you are experiencing a behavior issue with your pet, please visit with your veterinarian about the problem right away. Sudden

changes in behavior are often caused by underlying medical issues. Your veterinarian can help you get to the root of the problem quickly, saving you and your pet from undue stress and frustration.



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Tip:

Before allowing your pet to sleep on your bed, make sure that your pets are properly protected against internal and external parasites. Many of these parasites are species specific, yet some are dangerous to humans. Oral and topical medication is available to protect you and your pet from parasites such as roundworms, lice, and mites.



Extended Hours

For your convenience, we have extended our hospital hours. All types of appointments are welcome. Hours of operation are subject to change and will be updated on the website regularly.

Monday 8:00-9:00
Tuesday 8:30-9:00
Wednesday 8:00-9:00
Thursday 8:00-9:00
Friday 8:00-9:00
Saturday 9:00-4:00
Sunday/Holidays Closed



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Many behavioral problems in dogs stem from boredom. Before leaving the house it is important to make sure that your pet is tired. Also, make sure that your pet has safe play toys to keep them busy. Dogs demonstrate self-rewarding behavior. They will continue to repeat an act that makes them feel good. When these behaviors begin to cause problems, it is important to find ways to teach them alternate behaviors that give them the same satisfaction. Veterinarians and animal health technologists have the experience to help you with these concerns.

Other behavioral problems occur due to underlying issues such as fear. Dogs that are not socialized or kennel trained tend to demonstrate behaviors associated with fear. For example, a dog may exhibit separation anxiety. Dogs with separation anxiety usually display signs a short time after their owner has left them. Their behavior is not destructive; it is a reaction caused by panic.

Pets require positive reinforcement regardless of the situation. Food rewards are always a good option. Never subject your pet to a situation where he or she is fearful. Remove them from the situation until they are no longer experiencing fear. Then, reintroduce them to the situation, rewarding them as they conquer more and more of the fear. For extreme cases, anxiety medication is available from your veterinarian.

Tip:

In all cases of in-home urine marking, it is imperative to clean the odor with an enzymatic or bacterial

cleanser. These products break down the odor causing proteins, ensuring that the smell is gone for good.



Inappropriate Urination

This behavioral problem is most commonly seen in cats. Causes could be due to:

The litter box – Cats don't like using a dirty litter box just as much as we would hate to use a dirty toilet. Make sure the litter box is cleaned out daily and washed with soap and water.

Stress - Such events as adding a new family member, moving to a new house, or a change in routine or schedule can cause your furry friend stress.

Medical problems - Urinary tract tumors, or blockages are common causes of inappropriate urination. Such medical problems are emergencies and require immediate veterinary attention. Other causes many

include urinary tract infections, or bladder crystals and stones.

If you feel that your pet is urinating inappropriately, it is important to consult a veterinarian to rule out potential medical problems before beginning any kind of behavioral therapy.

Please note that dogs also experience problems with inappropriate urination and

require the same extent of veterinary care as cats.



Tip:

Annual examinations are a time for you and your veterinarian to discuss changes in your pet's behavior and attitude. Before your appointment take some

time to compile a list of topics you would like to discuss to ensure all questions are addressed.

