



## Harmful Products for Pets

Alcoholic Beverages

Apple Seeds-contain cyanide compounds

Apricot Pits-contain cyanide compounds

Avocados-may cause heart irregularities, difficulty breathing

Cherry Pits-contain cyanide compounds

Chocolate-all forms but the darker the chocolate, the more poisonous

-contains Theobromine, a stimulant

Coffee (grounds, beans, chocolate covered beans)-caffeine

Grapes-unknown compound but leads to liver failure

Hops (used in home brewing)

Household Cleaners—read the label

Human Medications—especially tylenol, unless directed by your veterinarian to give to your pet

Garlic in larger amounts- may cause hemolytic anemia

Macadamia Nuts

Moldy Foods

Mushroom Plants

Mustard Seeds

Onion in all forms-may cause hemolytic anemia

Peach Pits-contains cyanide compounds

Raisins-unknown compound but may cause liver failure

Raw Yeast Dough—will expand in the Pet's stomach and cause pain and possible stomach rupture

Rhubarb leaves

Rodent poisons

Salt-dehydrating

Sugar-Free Gum and Candy containing Xylitol

Tea-caffeine

Tea Tree Oil—especially harmful for cats, don't apply where a dog can lick it

Tomato leaves and stems-may cause tremors, heart irregularities

Walnuts

Xylitol-this is an artificial sweetener-may cause a sudden drop in blood sugar, tremors, depression

This is not a complete list. Whenever you are in doubt, please call your veterinarian ASAP!

Keep the below number for Poison Control and the number of your closest emergency vet close by (it's helpful to program them into your cell phone so you can call as you are running out the door, or are away from home):

ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center: **(888) 426-4435**. A \$60 consultation fee may be applied to your credit card.

To save time, drive to all of the 24 hour emergency vets in your area so that you know the best routes to take depending on the time of day and traffic.

Remember to dog-proof your home just as you would child-proof your home. Also, keep an **unopened** bottle of Hydrogen Peroxide in your home to use if poison control directs you to induce vomiting. They will instruct you on the proper dose for your dog.