

As temperatures soar, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society is urging pet owners to take extra precautions to keep their furry friends cool and safe.

- If you can't take your pet with you when you leave your car, leave them at home where they are safe.
- Parked cars can quickly reach deadly temperatures, even on relatively mild days with the car parked in the shade and the windows slightly open.
- SPCAs across Canada receive hundreds of reports of pets being left in cars every year.
- It is imperative that each of us as animal owners is responsible in providing the proper care for our pets. As such, leaving a pet unattended in a vehicle is one of the most irresponsible things a pet owner can do.
- Remind all your friends and family not to leave their pets in their cars this summer by sharing the No Hot Pets messages below on social media using #NoHotPets!

See an animal unattended in a vehicle? Report it! ACT FAST. SAVE A LIFE. If you spot an unattended pet in a vehicle that appears to be suffering from heat exhaustion, do not hesitate to call your local Police or another first responder agency.

Report animal welfare concerns 24/7 by calling 1-833-9ANIMAL (1-833-926-4625).

"I left the window down for him. I was not going to be **gone** long. We have heard it all! The issue of owners leaving their pets in their vehicles during the hot summer months, putting animals' safety at risk and even causing death, is an ongoing problem. There is no excuse for leaving a pet unattended in a vehicle and this summer we need your help to share this important message. **#NoHotPets**

