Tips to prevent heat stroke for pets:

- Keep pets cool, especially senior pets and those with heart disease, obesity, or breathing problems. Short nosed dogs or dogs with pushed in faces have even more difficulty because they can't effectively blow off heat.
- Temperatures in a locked car on a 70 degree day will reach over 100 degrees in just a few minutes!
- Never leave your pet in a parked car on a hot day...the temperature inside can reach up to 140 degrees! Cracking the windows does not help. Leave your pet at home if you are going places that do not allow your pet to come inside.
- Dogs that are outside must have shade and cool water. Please bring your outdoor pets in when weather is extreme. Move your dog to a cool area of the house.
- Never exercise your pet on a hot day and no walks on hot concrete and asphalt which burns their pads. Do not allow your dog to ride in the back of a pickup truck on hot metal and no protection from the sun.
- Do not muzzle your dog. This inhibits their ability to pant and cool themselves.
- Use cool water to allow your dog to maintain normal body temperature. Playing with the hose or allowing them to play in a baby splash pool is a great way to stay cooler.
- Be very cautious about having your pet groomed on hot days if muzzles are used or warm/hot dryers are used.