

# Marijuana toxicosis



## What is marijuana toxicosis?

- Occurs when pets are exposed to marijuana by ingestion or inhalation
- Dogs are more commonly affected than cats.
- Clinical signs appear within 30-60 minutes after ingestion or 6-12 minutes after inhalation.
- The prognosis is good if affected dogs have minimal symptoms or receive proper medical treatment.
- Most dogs recover within 24-36 hours with no adverse long-term effects.

## What you can do to keep your dog healthy:

- Remove access to marijuana or food items containing marijuana by storing them out of reach.
- Keep pets out of areas where marijuana use may occur.

### Signs

Depression  
Incoordination  
Dilated pupils  
Lethargy  
Slow heart rate  
Vomiting  
Dribbling urine

### Cause

Ingestion of marijuana,  
edible marijuana products,  
medical or recreational  
cannabis preparations or  
prescription medications  
Inhalation of marijuana  
smoke

### Treatment

Supportive care  
Medications  
Intralipid therapy in  
severe cases

*\*If your dog needs medical care, contact the Small Animal Clinic at (530) 752-1393.*