



## Social Media Suggested Wording

**Stay cool this Summer**  
Avoid these hazards and help keep your cat safe in the warm weather

**OUT AND ABOUT**

**1. Hot Weather**  
**Danger:** Cats love sunbathing but be careful they don't overheat themselves in the middle of the day or rock themselves in a greenhouse, conservatory or car by accident. Heat stroke can be fatal and sunburn is also a risk.  
**How to avoid:** Keep cats cool by turning on a fan, providing cool drinking water and creating a shaded space for them to rest.

**2. Blue-Green Algae**  
**Danger:** This bacteria forms on top of lakes and ponds but often can't be seen with the naked eye. It is most common during warm, dry spells and even swallowing a few mouthfuls can be fatal.  
**How to avoid:** Try to keep your cat away from water that may contain blue-green algae as the wind often blows poisonous blooms to the edges.

### Summer hazards that could make your cat unwell

Calling all cat owners! Cats are curious creatures and there are many summer hazards that could make them ill. Keep your cat safe by reading this infographic from our out-of-hours partner, Vets Now.

**Stay cool this Summer**  
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**OUT AND ABOUT**

**1. Hot Weather**  
**Danger:** Exercising your dog too much or leaving them in the car conservatory or an enclosed space after a sudden rise in temperature can lead to potentially fatal heat stroke.  
**How to avoid:** Never walk your dog during the hottest parts of the day, and never leave them in a confined space for any length of time.

**2. Pavements and Roads**  
**Danger:** Studies show asphalt can reach temperatures of 52°C (127°F) on sunny days. This is enough to severely burn a dog's paws within a matter of minutes.  
**How to avoid:** Place the back of your hand on the surface for seven seconds and if you struggle to hold it down, it's too hot to walk your dog.

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Ever wondered what could be dangerous for your dog during summer? Our out-of-hours partner Vets Now have created this infographic giving the lowdown on what to keep out of your dog's reach to avoid any emergencies.