

# Wags and Purrs Comfort Corner

#### Keeping your pets safe on Halloween



Halloween can be a very scary time for our pets!
Strange, glowingly decorations, everyone in weird costumes, the doorbell constantly ringing, and all the people out walking by the house is enough to put your pet into a panic! It's important during Halloween to make sure your pet is safe indoors with a place to relax and calm down, whether that's their crate or their own little room.

If your yard is decorated for Halloween, make sure your

dog isn't chewing on any outside wiring or decorations.

An unfortunate truth of the season, bring in your cats! Especially black cats! Even if your cat is normally an indoor/outdoor cat, keep them inside for the week leading up to Halloween. Safety first!

If your dog gets excited or curious with activities at your door, put up a baby gate to keep them safe while handing out candy! Your door will be opening and closing a lot during Trick or Treating, and you don't want an accidental escape.

Always keep candy where pets can't easily get into it because candy can be deadly to your pet. During Halloween season, be sure to watch your dog closely on walks, as there may be a piece of candy lying on the ground that got away from an excited child!

## Health Tip for the Season

Pumpkin is a great, nutritious snack for dogs! It's rich in fiber, and good for your dog's digestive health! It can also help with constipation and diarrhea. Add one spoonful, once or twice a day for a healthy treat!

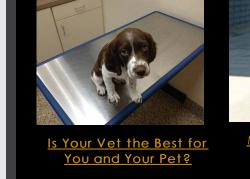
#### <u>Training Tip for the Season</u>

Leaves and sticks and puddles! Oh My! The autumn weather brings its own set of distractions. Now is an important time to work with your dog on redirection so your beloved pet isn't trying to chase all these new sights and sounds somewhere they shouldn't!

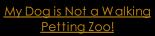
### <u>Pet Sitter Tip for the Season</u>

Remember to leave a towel out for your pet sitter to wipe muddy feet!

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