Summer Care Tips

Summer can be dangerous for community cats, but these tips will help keep your cat healthy and happy.



Food and water are especially important during the summer months.

- Provide fresh water at all times.
- Place food & water bowls in a cooler area.
- Put ice cubes in the water to keep it cooler for longer.
- Add a little water to dry food on extremely hot days. This will keep the food from drying out and provides extra water for the cats.
- Remove food after 45-60 minutes (30 minutes if the cat comes immediately to eat). Food will not keep as well when the weather is hot.

Summertime insects and bugs

- Elevate food so that it is less accessible to insects but still comfortable for cats to eat.
- Place food dish in a slightly larger bowl filled with an inch of water to keep insects away.
- Cut back on the amount of canned food, as insects are more attracted to it.
- Place a ring of baking soda around the dish.

Don't leave a cat in a shed, garage or car

- Sheds, garages and cars become very hot very quickly.
- Leaving a cat where there is no ventilation can cause heat stroke or death.
- Remember, if it's too hot for you, it's too hot for the cat.