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You, your children, and your pets can become lead poisoned any time you breathe lead dust, fumes, or swallow anything that contains lead.

**Pets should not be allowed to sit or lay in window wells of homes built before 1978. The older the home, the more likely it is to have lead paint.**

Pets can track lead dust into your home from lead in soil or chipping/peeling paint on the outside of your home.

**Lead dust collects on pets fur or feet and can easily be tracked or spread inside your home.**

**Following Lead Safe Work Practices when renovations are being done can protect everyone...**

**PETS INCLUDED.**

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**Call the Forsyth County Department of Public Health at the number below to find out how you can protect yourself, your children and your pet from lead poisoning.**



Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program  
PO Box 686  
799 N. Highland Ave  
Winston-Salem, NC 27102

336-703-3174  
[www.forsyth.cc/PublicHealth/  
EnvironmentalHealth/lead](http://www.forsyth.cc/PublicHealth/EnvironmentalHealth/lead)

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# **PROTECT YOUR PETS FROM LEAD POISONING**



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of Public Health

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**PETS CAN HAVE THE  
FOLLOWING PROBLEMS  
FROM BECOMING LEAD  
POISONED**

Vomiting

Loss of appetite

Stomach pain

Diarrhea

Behavior changes

Aggression or lack of energy

Seizures

Blindness

Muscle spasms



**WHAT YOU CAN DO TO  
PROTECT YOUR PETS**

Remove pets from older homes during remodeling.

Do not allow pets to be in areas where there is chipping or peeling paint.

Keep pets away from things that can be easily swallowed such as fishing sinkers, plumbing materials, and imported toys and jewelry.

Do not use ceramic food or water bowls.

Do not keep food/water bowls or bedding under windows where you see chipping or peeling paint.

**PUPPIES, KITTENS  
AND OTHER SMALL  
PETS CAN GET LEAD  
POISONED EASIER  
THAN ADULT PETS**



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