



Foster Pet Emergency Information

Daytime Emergencies:	Monday- Saturday 9a-6pm	Call 205-752-9101
After Hours Emergencies:	Wednesdays, Sundays, Federal Holidays, Monday-Saturday 6pm-9am	Call 205-201-1057

*****You must call for approval before seeking outside medical care. We do not pay for any medical expense that is not approved prior to the visit. If you go on your own and have anything done without prior approval, we will not reimburse you.*****

Emergencies (call appropriate day/night number immediately)	
Lost foster pet	Not eating, severe diarrhea over consecutive days
Bites that break the skin	Broken bones, sudden swelling
Severe lethargy/nonresponsive	Severe lacerations, significant injuries
Difficulty breathing	Seizures
Cold to the touch	Toxic plant or substance ingestion
Vomiting blood	Not producing urine

Urgent (email or call daytime number- we will follow up next business day if after hours)	
Severe leaking diarrhea (over 5 weeks of age)	Vomiting more than twice, not eating
Limping	Minor lacerations (minimal bleeding)

Less Urgent (email foster coordinator) – we will follow up next business day if after hours)	
Congestion	Weepy or red eyes
Nasal discharge/dogs coughing	Hair loss or skin lesions
Happy tail (dogs whipping their tail against anything causing lacerations)	Fleas, intestinal parasites
Vomiting 1-2 times only	Loose stool, occasional diarrhea
Cats urinating outside the litterbox	Bloody stool not accompanied by other symptoms

Other important information:

Need supplies or behavior help? Email foster@metroanimalshelter.org or call 205-752-9101 and ask to speak to the foster coordinator.