

## FIRST AID KIT FOR PETS

- Your veterinarian's phone number, **303-985-3316** because 911 won't work for a pet emergency. After hours call Central Veterinary Emergency Services at **303-874-7387**.
- Antibiotic cream, 1 tube
- Bandage roll, 3-inch gauze
- Cotton balls, 1 small package
- Eyewash or a bottle of artificial tears to flush foreign material from his eyes
- Disinfectant, 3 percent hydrogen peroxide solution
- Muzzle, 4-foot length of soft cotton rope
- Pad and pencil (to write down your appointment time with your veterinarian)
- Scissors, blunt tipped or bandage scissors
- Soap for cleaning skin wounds (liquid organic iodine type)
- Syringe, 12-cc capacity for flushing wounds or administering oral medication
- Styptic stick, for minor torn nail bleeding (these are very hard to find nowadays). Gentle pressure should work too.
- Tape, one roll of 2-inch adhesive
- Thermometer, rectal, electronic.
- Tweezers, or a pair of inexpensive hemostatic forceps

All of these things can be bought at Wal-Mart for about \$25. They keep really well in a gallon-sized Zip-loc bag and that way you can take the kit with you if you travel with your pet.