COMMON FELINE TOXINS

HOUSEHOLD OBJECTS FOR YOUR CAT TO AVOID

INSECTICIDES AND PESTICIDES

Especially dangerous during the warmer months, exposure to insecticides can occur when your cat walks through an area recently treated with lawn and garden products, sprays, powders, or granules.

HUMAN OR VETERINARY DRUGS

One tablet of a non-steroidal antiinflammatory drug (NSAIDs) can be fatal to your cat. Cats also seem to like the taste of certain antidepressants, which may contain an alluring smell or flavor in the coating. With any accidental medication ingestion, seeking immediate veterinary care is imperative.





PERMETHRIN POISONING

The topical application of flea control products for dogs contains permethrin which is poisonous to cats. A major portion of feline toxicities reported to the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center are from permethrins. These incidents occur by either deliberate application of the product to a cat by a caregiver unaware of the dangers, or by indirect exposure.

HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS

These include common household cleaners such as toilet bowl cleaners,

laundry detergents, drain cleaners, and carpet cleaners. Be sure to keep these products out of your cat's reach and wipe away any excess. Consult a veterinarian immediately if you believe that your cat has been exposed.

ANIMALS COMING INTO CONTACT WITH TOXIC SUBSTANCES IS AN ONGOING PROBLEM

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (APCC) - the top resource for animal poison related emergencies - received an overwhelming **180,639 cases** in 2016 alone.

Source: ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center



For more information on common feline toxins visit: catfriendly.com/toxin