

Danger? Why Some Medications May Be Making Your Pet Sick

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PHOENIX - Some popular pet medication may be causing side effects such as seizures, tremors – even death.

It's a story you've been commenting about for days here on ABC15.com, and now there's new reaction from the Environmental Protection Agency.

The medication is meant to protect, but the ABC15 Investigators found many pet owners complaining about dangerous reactions they say were caused by some flea and tick products.

Amy Vasquez of Chandler said her dog, Mack, had a bad reaction to a medication.

“He would reach around and bite at himself,” Amy said. “He was scratching himself, and wouldn't stop it.”

Normally those are signs of either flea or tick bites. But Amy said it was caused by a medication that is supposed to protect dogs from pests.

Amy bought Sergeant's Sentry Pro XFC, a spot-on flea and tick product that's supposed to be applied directly to the pet's skin.

“[It] had a nice package on it, and I thought it's the most expensive one. So, it's probably pretty good.”

She said she used the medication exactly as the packaging instructed. Then, she said she looked at the spot where she'd applied the medication.

“It looked like the worst sun burn you'd ever seen. It was obvious it was exactly where I'd applied it.” Amy said. “I gave him a bath, and washed it off. [That] worked until it got dry. Then, it came back. [Mack was] scratching, scratching and scratching. This went on and on until we gave him another bath.”

Amy said she went online, looking for answers. She found hundreds of posts complaining about the same problems. “And, the other dogs had it worse,” she said.

Among the online posts were complaints of vomiting, seizures, burning and open wounds.

Those are just some of the side effects dog owners said some spot-on flea and tick medication has caused.

The ABC15 Investigators received videos and emails from dog owners across the country describing the “horror of watching our loved one suffer.”

One email described the pet's reaction as like “watching them die.”

Many spot-on products use pesticides as the main active ingredient, because it kills pests like fleas and ticks.

The products that contain pesticides are regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Now, the EPA is taking a close look at what it calls a large and growing number of cases involving spot-on products and reports of side effects such as tremors, seizures – even death.

According to the EPA's records, more than 24,000 incidents were reported in 2008 relating to all spot-on flea and tick products. Of those 24,000 incidents, more than 250 major cases and nearly 350 deaths were reported in just one year.

The most complaints were made against Sergeant's.

Sergeant's makes the product, Sentry Pro XFC. It's the same medication that Amy said caused her dog's side effects. Sergeant's received more than 10,000 complaints out of all the reports collected by the EPA from 2008. According to the EPA's records, that's more than three times the amount of complaints reported against any other company that makes



flea and tick products.

Dr. Diane Paster is the Associate Director for Emergency Animal Clinics of Arizona. She said it's common to see pesticides used in flea and tick medications.

"Anything that you're going to use that's going to kill these little guys has to be called a pesticide," Dr. Paster said.

But Paster said the real problem may be the kind of pesticides being used. She said she tells her patients to only use flea and tick medications based on their vet's recommendations.

"I think the ones that you can get from your vet a little bit safer...I think they're more effective," she said.

According to the EPA's records, products sold by vets received fewer complaints.

"I would really like to see the [products] with the most side effects pulled," Dr. Paster said.

In a statement to the ABC15 Investigators, Sergeant's said:

"All of Sergeant's flea and tick products are safe and effective when used properly. All meet government safety standards and have been approved by the EPA. Sergeant's is not taking the products off store shelves because more than 99% of the millions of doses sold have provided pets and their owners with extremely effective protection from fleas and ticks and with no adverse reactions."

That is not the reaction Amy Vasquez wanted.

"I'd like it to be banned forever, taken off the shelves and not sold anymore," Amy said.

In a statement to the ABC15 Investigators, the EPA said:

EPA is concerned about the increase in incidents associated with spot-on flea and tick products. In response, EPA undertook an extensive analysis of data associated with these incidents and followed with an announcement of ways to reduce the number of incidents in the future through a variety of changes to product labels, the registration process, and consumer outreach. EPA is also developing more stringent testing and evaluation requirements for both existing and new products.

Flea and tick products can be appropriate treatments for protecting pets and public health because fleas and ticks can transmit disease to animals and humans. Pesticides are poisons and safe use is important. Consumers must read and follow label directions, taking care to use the product that is appropriate for their pet. We believe that the changes EPA is seeking will reduce incidents related to these products. EPA is committed to addressing these incidents by implementing the necessary regulatory changes to ensure that these products can be used safely.

This article is reprinted from the Phoenix KNXV-TV (ABC15) website:

<http://www.abc15.com/dpp/money/consumer/alerts/Danger-Why-some-medications-may-be-making-your-pet-sick>

Bones... Bones... Bones!

By Dr. Becker from Mercola Healthy Pets

<http://healthypets.mercola.com/sites/healthypets/archive/2010/05/19/caution-bones-can-kill-your-dog-find-out-which-ones-are-safe.aspx>



"Some people think it's safe to give dogs large bones, like those from a ham or a roast," says Dr. Carmela Stamper, a veterinarian in the FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine. "Bones are unsafe no matter what their size. Giving your dog a bone may make your pet a candidate for a trip to your veterinarian's office later, possible emergency surgery, or even death."

The FDA doesn't make clear whether their warning extends to all bones or just cooked bones, so I'll assume for purposes of the information I'm about to give you they're discussing only bones from food that has been cooked.

Dangers of Cooked Bones

The cooking process makes bones more brittle, increasing the likelihood they might splinter and cause internal injury to your dog.

Cooking can also remove the nutrition contained in bones.

In their April 20, 2010 Consumer Update (), the FDA lists the following risks associated with giving your dog a cooked bone to chew:

1. Broken teeth. This may call for expensive veterinary dentistry.
 2. Mouth or tongue injuries. These can be very bloody and messy and may require a trip to see your veterinarian.
 3. Bone gets looped around your dog's lower jaw. This can be frightening or painful for your dog and potentially costly to you, as it usually means a trip to see your veterinarian.
 4. Bone gets stuck in esophagus, the tube that food travels through to reach the stomach. Your dog may gag, trying to bring back up, and will need to see your veterinarian.
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5. Bone gets stuck in windpipe. This may happen if your dog accidentally inhales a small enough piece of bone. This is an emergency because your dog will have trouble breathing. Get your pet to your veterinarian immediately.
 6. Bone gets stuck in stomach. It went down just fine, but the bone may be too big to pass out of the stomach and into the intestines. Depending on the bone's size, your dog may need surgery or upper gastrointestinal endoscopy, a procedure in which your veterinarian uses a long tube with a built-in camera and grabbing tools to try to remove the stuck bone from the stomach.
 7. Bone gets stuck in the intestines and causes a blockage. It may be time for surgery.
 8. Constipation due to bone fragments. Your dog may have a hard time passing the bone fragments because they're very sharp and the scrape the inside of the large intestine or rectum as they move along. This causes severe pain and may require a visit to your veterinarian. Bones also contain a lot of calcium, which is very firming to the stool.
 9. Severe bleeding from the rectum. This is very messy and can be dangerous. It's time for a trip to see your veterinarian.
 10. Peritonitis. This nasty, difficult-to-treat bacterial infection of the abdomen is caused when bone fragments poke holes in your dog's stomach or intestines. Your dog needs an emergency visit to your veterinarian because peritonitis can kill your dog.

Are Any Bones Safe for My Dog?

Raw bones can be both safe and healthy providing you follow some guidelines which I'll discuss shortly.

You're probably aware your dog's ancestors and counterparts in the wild have been eating bones forever.

Canines in their natural habitat eat prey, including the meat, bones and stomach contents. In fact, your pup has a biological requirement for the nutrients found in bone marrow and the bones themselves.

Dogs love to chew raw bones for the yummy taste, the mental stimulation, and also because all that gnawing is great exercise for the muscles of the jaw.

Two Types of Raw Bones

At my clinic, Natural Pet Animal Hospital, we recommend to all our dog parents that they separate bones into two categories:

1. Edible bones
2. Recreational bones

Edible bones are the hollow, non weight-bearing bones of birds (typically chicken wings and chicken and turkey necks). They are soft, pliable, do not contain marrow, and can be easily crushed in a meat grinder.

These bones provide calcium phosphorus and trace minerals which can be an essential part of your pup's balanced raw food diet.

Recreational bones – big chunks of beef or bison femur or hip bones filled with marrow – don't supply significant dietary nutrition for your dog (they are not designed to be chewed up and swallowed, only gnawed on), but they do provide mental stimulation and are great for your pup's oral health.

When your dog chews on a raw recreational bone, especially a meaty one with cartilage and soft tissue still attached, his teeth get the equivalent of a good brushing and flossing. This helps to break down tartar and reduces the risk of gum disease.

Dogs in the wild have beautiful teeth and healthy gums. This is because the prey they eat requires a lot of chewing, and the sinewy composition helps to clean each entire tooth.

Guidelines for Feeding Recreational Bones Safely

The health risks listed above for cooked bones can also apply to recreational bones if your dog has unrestricted, unsupervised access to them.

The following are do's and don'ts for feeding recreational raw bones (and yes, they have to be raw, not steamed, boiled or baked):

Do supervise your dog closely while he's working on a bone. That way you can react immediately if your pup happens to choke, or if you notice any blood on the bone or around your dog's mouth from over aggressive gnawing. You'll also know when your dog has chewed down to the hard brittle part of a knuckle bone, making splinters more likely. When the bone has been gnawed down in size throw it out. Do not allow your dog to chew it down to a small chunk he can swallow.

Do separate dogs in a multi-dog household before feeding bones. Dogs can get quite territorial about bones and some dogs will fight over them.

Do feed fresh raw bones in your dog's crate, or on a towel or other surface you can clean, or outside as long as you can supervise him. Fresh raw bones become a gooey, greasy mess until your dog has gnawed them clean, so make sure to protect your flooring and furniture.

Don't give them to a dog that has had restorative dental work/crowns.

Don't give them to your dog if she has a predisposition to pancreatitis. Raw bone marrow is very rich and can

cause diarrhea and a flare-up of pancreatitis. Instead, you can feed a 'low fat' version by thawing the bone and scooping out the marrow to reduce the fat content.

Don't give a recreational bone to a dog that's likely to try to swallow it whole or bite it in two and eat it in huge chunks.

My pit bulls tried to do this the first time I fed them recreational raw bones – they bit them in two and tried to eat both halves whole. So I got knuckle bones the approximate size of their heads, and they couldn't open their jaws wide enough to bite down and crack off big chunks of the bones. Over time, I trained them to chew smaller femur bones less aggressively.

You should be able to find raw knuckle bones at your local butcher shop or the meat counter of your supermarket (labeled as 'soup bones'). When you get the bones home, store them in the freezer and thaw one at a time before feeding to your pup.

I also recommend giving your dog a bone to chew after she's full from a meal. Hungry dogs are more tempted to swallow a bone whole or break it apart and swallow large chunks. This increases the risk of an obstruction in the digestive tract.

Don't feed small bones that can be swallowed whole or pose a choking risk, or bones that have been cut, such as a leg bone. Cut bones are more likely to splinter.

Don't feed pork bones or rib bones. They are more likely to splinter than other types of bones.

A Healthy Alternative to Feeding Raw Bones

If one of the above conditions prevents you from offering raw bones to your dog, consider a softer alternative: a high quality, edible dental bone.

A fully digestible, high quality dental dog chew provides mechanical abrasion to help control plaque and tartar, and is similar to the effect of eating whole, raw food in the wild.

Many popular chew bones cannot be broken down, and if your pup swallows one whole, or a large enough portion of one, there's always a risk of intestinal blockage. In addition, most traditional dog chews contain unhealthy ingredients like gelatin, artificial sweeteners, and other additives and preservatives that are potentially cancer causing.

I highly recommend Mercola Healthy Pets Dog Dental Bones (), which are 100 percent natural and contain absolutely no corn, soy, gluten, extra fat or sugar, or animal byproducts.

Whether you go with raw bones, a high quality dog dental bone, or a combination, the important thing to remember is your canine family member is designed to chew. She needs your help to insure she gets regular opportunities to brush and floss as nature intended, and to exercise those jaw muscles.

Don't Forget...

The "Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet" stamps are now available from the Postal Service™. This is a pane of 20 44-cent "Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet" special stamps.

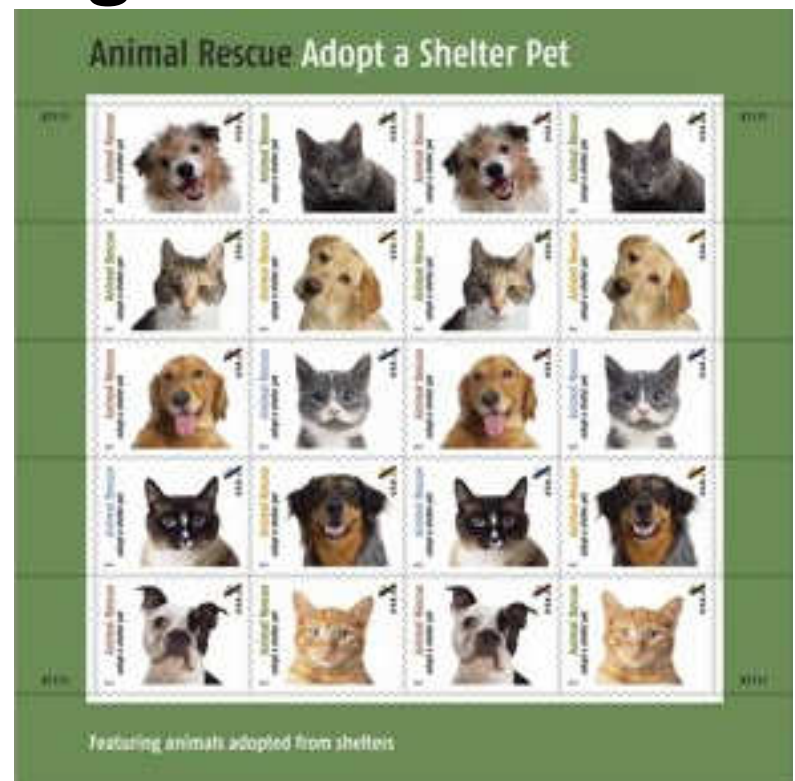
On April 30, 2010, in North Hollywood, California, the Postal Service™ issued a 44-cent, "Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet" special stamp in ten designs, designed by Derry Noyes of Washington, DC.

With these 10 stamp designs, the U.S. Postal Service hopes to raise awareness of the need to adopt shelter pets.

The pets depicted on the stamps were photographed by Sally Andersen-Bruce near her home in New Milford, Connecticut. All had been homeless at one time; all but one had been adopted when they were photographed.

To find out more about these special stamps and other related products available from the U.S. Postal Service, please visit:

<https://shop.usps.com/wcsstore/PostalStore/upload/htm/animalrescue/>



Ask The Trainer

“Marking”

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Question: My dog lifts his leg and pees in the house, especially on new things, and also pees constantly out on walks. What can I do to stop this?

The Trainer Answers: While peeing in the house can be a housetraining issue, it can also be an issue of the dog marking territory. First we want to determine which issue is causing the problem. While male dogs are most likely to mark, female dogs sometimes mark as well. How old is this dog? Is this a recent development, or has it been ongoing? How often, when and where does it happen? Is your dog leaving small amounts of pee in several places or large amounts of pee in one or two places? The answers to these questions will help us determine whether this is a housetraining or marking issue.

Since your dog is peeing frequently on walks, it is likely marking behavior. However, if this is a new development, it could also be a medical issue, such as a urinary tract infection. Adding the fact that your dog tends to pee on new things you bring into the house, this makes it far more likely that this is marking behavior. Dogs who mark often will tend to mark upright objects such as furniture and walls. Some dogs will also mark new items as their way of “claiming” these new things. Some dogs who mark will also mark items that belong to certain people in the household, for example, marking in the kid’s bedroom, on the kid’s backpack sitting on the floor, etc.

In this case, it appears to be a marking issue, so we will address it as such. (However, I would want to discuss in further detail to actually make this determination.) First, we want to treat the dog as if he is not fully housetrained. Start by referring to our housetraining articles for more details on how to start over with housetraining:

- House Training Tips (http://www.loveydogtraining.com/html/housetraining_tips.html)
- Resolving a House Soiling Problem (http://www.loveydogtraining.com/html/resolving_a_house_soiling_prob.html)

In addition to our housetraining protocol, we also need to implement some additional changes in order to fully address marking behavior. When out on walks, you might or might not care that your dog is marking frequently on your walks. However, I do recommend that you limit this activity. While it’s ok to allow him to pee on the walk, he does not need to mark everything he wants. Give him a few opportunities to pee, but do not allow him to stop and pee so often. He can give a quick sniff to things, but get him moving before he can lift his leg. It won’t hurt him if he doesn’t get to pee so often. With some practice, he will learn to empty his bladder in fewer stops.

Next, implement some additional rules in the household. A dog who marks is “claiming” territory or objects. It doesn’t mean he wants to take over the household, but he does need to learn some stricter boundaries and rules. We can do this by having him work for all the valuable things he receives, such as food, pets, play, love, toys, etc. Once he begins to earn things of value, he will begin to understand that the house and all of the items in it belong to you, not to him. Once he begins to learn that you control all of these things, he will begin to understand that it is not his place to mark these things. They belong to you, not to him. This means some stricter supervision for a while, so he does not get opportunities to mark things.

In this case, since he tends to mark new objects, we should specifically focus on new objects you bring into the house. When you bring in a new object, set it out for him to see and smell, but do not give him the chance to pee on it. Keep him on leash at first if you need to, and get him working with the object nearby. This will help him to understand the new item belongs to you as well. Do not leave him alone with the object, so that he does not have a chance to mark it when you are not looking.

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Jay Leno Monologue Joke

The Army announced they are training mine-sniffing dogs to go to Iraq. How badly do you have to screw up obedience school to get that job? Think about it... All your other canine dog buddies are drug-sniffing dogs. They get to go to the airport and sniff marijuana... they’re getting high... You’re walking around a mine field in Iraq getting your paws blown off. Now, that’s a bad gig!

“Doggie Parenting”

by Victoria Rose

Like Your Dog's Name? No? It's okay to change your dog's name

Do you like your dog's name? Think you picked a good one, or do you regret it every time you call him for dinner? If the latter, please know that it is quite all right to change his name. And if he is a rescue, and this was the name an abuser screamed at him on a regular basis, please DO change it.

When I got Jetta a little over a year ago, her name was Brook. I didn't like the name Brook and I had planned, long before I ever found her, to name my next Doberman Jetta. I spoke to her breeder/owner many times before she shipped her to me, and while referring to her as “Brook”, in my mind, I kept thinking of her as “Jetta” and somehow it came out “Bretta”.

So I decided to just call her Bretta, which I did for the first week or two I had her. Then I realized I really didn't like that name either, and I really did love the name Jetta, so I changed it again. This didn't faze her one bit.

Dogs don't care what we call them, as long as we don't call them late for dinner. I know... that's an old one. Couldn't resist. Seriously... if they associate a name with food, petting, and play... it doesn't hurt them one bit to have their name changed. They'll get used to it in short order and everyone will be satisfied.

Quick quiz...

Question: How long does it take a dog to grieve over the loss of a pack member?

Answer: No more than three weeks. Dr. Jaqueline Neilson, a Portland veterinarian and one of only 40 US veterinary behaviorists, says that dogs adjust to the death of another family pet within 2-3 days, and are done grieving by three weeks.

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The Empty Bottle specializes in eclectic and smaller produced wines that are of exceptional value. They are determined to provide a non-pretentious atmosphere for customers who love to drink wine, but dislike attitude. The owners are extremely dog friendly, so they welcome your pooch anytime you come shopping, but please do not bring your dog to the wine tasting.



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We thank you and you know any dog you help your local rescue save will be eternally grateful! PLEASE submit a foster application if you can possibly help your local rescue and them! PLEASE take your cookie... good boy/girl!

Reader Recommendation

I did a blog post on some of the best dog toys I've found over the last 10+ years. Here is the link:

<http://premeirk9club.blogspot.com/2010/03/favorite-dog-toys.html>.

I love the Hurley and the Huck too and there is a couple of other tough toys on the list as well (check out the Goughnut!)

--Lisa S.

Time To Brush Up On Pet First Aid

Pets are family. So you want to do everything you can to take care of them. But what do you do when your dog is having difficulty breathing or your cat is limping from a cut on his foot? You can't really plan ahead for these situations, but you can be prepared – should they occur. The American Red Cross is a great resource for learning about how you can keep your pet safer and healthier. By taking a class from the ARC, you can refresh your memory on general first aid and CPR skills for your animal. You can also purchase Dog First Aid and Cat First Aid books from them for \$16.95 each. Each book also includes a 30 minute DVD that demonstrates how to perform many of the steps outlined in the books. Last month was National Pet First Aid Awareness Month... so the first step is becoming aware!

In addition to educating yourself on how to handle emergency situations with your pets, it's also wise to make several pet first aid kits to have in your home, car and for the pet sitter – if you use one. So what should you put in it?

- Leash and muzzle
- Extra food (Canned – make sure to change the cans out every two months)
- Bottled water
- Latex gloves
- Bach Rescue Remedy for Pets
- Sanitary Towelettes
- Tweezers
- Safety scissors
- Rolled Gauze
- Guaze Pads (2 x 2 and 4 x 4)
- Roll of coban (self-adhesive ace wrap)
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Eye Dropper
- Saline Eye Solution
- Lubricating Eye Drops
- Pet Thermometer
- Emergency blanket/fire blanket

So if your pet gets cut or scratched or has a splinter caught in its foot, you have everything you need to treat the problem. Also, with the blanket and rescue remedy, you can calm your pet down and make him/her feel safe. It's important to keep in mind that the most docile animals can become easily agitated when injured.

Some other safety tips include keeping the numbers of your veterinarian and local emergency animal hospitals on speed dial and closely monitoring your pet when its outdoors. With mountain lions, coyotes and rabid raccoons wandering around, your pet could become seriously injured if left unattended.

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Sadie4

My name is Sadie and I've found a new home! I am now located in Norton, Kansas. In my short life I have had many different homes in many different states, but I'm glad to call Kansas my permanent home. I have two older sisters, Lassie and Pongo. Even though at times they show me who's boss I know they love me. Pongo always looks out for me and makes sure that she is the last one to go outside so she can watch me, she is a motherly dog figure to me. I love sleeping on the bed with my parents! I love snuggling with everybody I meet. They say I'm a lover not a fighter. I love all of my toys and I love testing them out to see if they really last as long as they say. Lassie and I play every night before dinner; sometimes we get too loud and have to cut out for a while. A few weeks ago I was playing outside and got very dirty, so I go a bath and I was not a happy camper. I was recently enrolled in an obedience class; it started April 27. (I will post picture of my graduation later.) I was



also informed that I will be participating in a dog show this summer! I will have to work hard to get that trophy. I have many things to learn so I take it day by day, but I know with my new sisters, Pongo and Lassie here to teach me, I'll have it down in no time. I love my new home in Kansas and my new owners! So I want to thank my guardian angels Beth White and Caroline Smith for placing me in the perfect home!

Sincerely,
Sadie

Submitted By Morgan B.
and Sandy and Ken S.
Norton, KS



In The Doghouse... Our Featured Dalmatians

Snowball2



Reason Available: Abusive Home
3 years old, Spayed Female
TEMPORARY BOARDING in Montana

******* EXTRA URGENT**

EXTRA URGENT!! Snowball is thought to be a Dalmatian/Pit bull or Am. bulldog mix. Snowball came from a home where the owner was a criminal, and when a police officer came to arrest him and Snowball gave a warning bark, she was shot in the head by the officer. Thankfully she survived, after surgery she has recovered well. She is a loving dog, with both adults and children and bonds closely with her family. Snowball is house trained, good on the leash, and has wonderful house manners. She is a big cuddle bug and loves to ride in the car. Snowball is currently with a trainer, working

on her resource guarding issues and will come with a guideline for continuing work in that area. At this point, however, she should be an only pet, as she resents other animals taking what she sees as hers, including the attention of her people. Snowball is a devoted, loyal and loving companion. Snowball so deserves a chance at a better life in a loving home. If you can provide either a foster or permanent home for her please contact us today!



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