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Heat stroke.

For dog owners who live in humid places with high temperatures, heat stroke can be a common problem especially if the dog is on a fix chain spot or wire run in the summer sun.

If your dog is outside during the hot months and you notice symptoms such as heavy panting, swollen gums, diarrhoea and vomiting,

your dog may be having a heat stroke.

The dog may seem lethargic and will have trouble walking or even standing.

Heat stroke can result in a coma or even death if not treated.

If you notice these signs of a heat stroke, immediately find shade for your dog.

Offer the dog a small amount of water, sponge down with cool water, and if possible, place cold compresses under his legs. Call your veterinarian immediately, and let the vet know you are on the way.

To prevent your dog from becoming sick, make sure it consumes fresh water at regular intervals during the day, especially during hot weather.

If you're outside playing or strolling through a park, bring along a water bottle to ensure your dog is hydrated.

A dog with a temperature higher than 40 + degrees C is in grave danger.