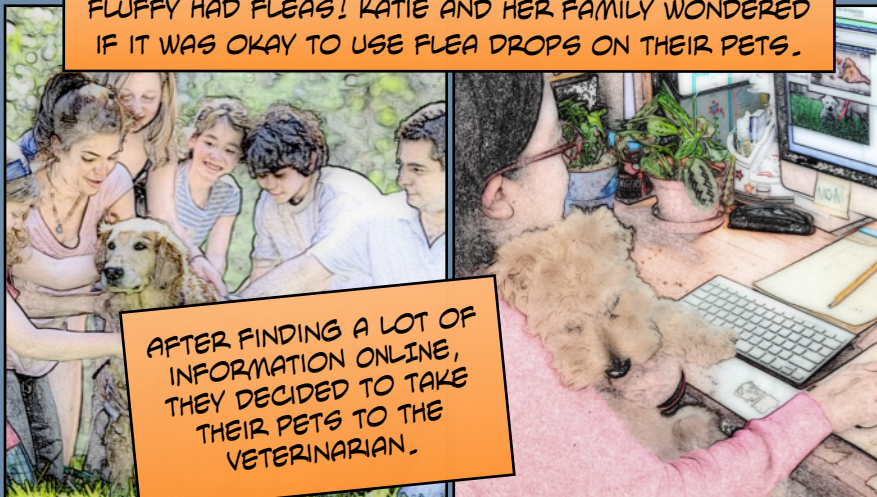


ARE SPOT-ON FLEA & TICK PRODUCTS OKAY FOR MY PETS?

FLUFFY HAD FLEAS! KATIE AND HER FAMILY WONDERED IF IT WAS OKAY TO USE FLEA DROPS ON THEIR PETS.



AFTER FINDING A LOT OF INFORMATION ONLINE, THEY DECIDED TO TAKE THEIR PETS TO THE VETERINARIAN.



THEIR VET DISCUSSED SEVERAL OPTIONS FOR FLEA CONTROL. THE VET TOLD THEM TO CALL NPIC TO LEARN MORE ABOUT FLEA PRODUCTS AND THEIR RISKS.

KATIE CALLED, AND THE NPIC SPECIALIST PROVIDED OPTIONS TO REDUCE RISKS:



- * ASKING YOUR VET IS GREAT FIRST STEP!
- * READ THE LABEL AND APPLY AS DIRECTED. WHEN IN DOUBT CALL THE VET OR THE MANUFACTURER
- * MATCH PRODUCT WEIGHT RANGE TO YOUR PET'S WEIGHT
- * DO NOT USE ON KITTENS OR PUPPIES THAT ARE TOO YOUNG, CHECK THE LABEL!
- * NEVER USE PRODUCTS FOR DOGS ON CATS
- * WEAR GLOVES TO APPLY
- * DO NOT SPLIT A LARGER DOSE TO TREAT SEVERAL SMALLER PETS



* KEEP FLEA & TICK PRODUCTS AWAY FROM FOOD AND OUT OF KID'S AND PET'S REACH



AFTER TREATING YOUR PETS:

- * WASH YOUR HANDS WITH SOAP AND WATER
- * SEPARATE PETS TO KEEP THEM FROM LICKING OR BITING ONE ANOTHER
- * MONITOR YOUR PETS FOR SYMPTOMS
- * IF YOUR PET HAS A REACTION, IMMEDIATELY BATHE IT WITH MILD SOAP, RINSE WITH A LOT OF WATER, AND CALL YOUR VET



KATIE ALSO LEARNED ABOUT OTHER WAYS TO PREVENT AND CONTROL FLEAS:



VACUUM REGULARLY



USE FLEA COMBS



WASH PET BEDDING IN HOT WATER

CALL US IF YOU HAVE MORE QUESTIONS AT 1-800-858-7378



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1.800.858.7378 <http://npic.orst.edu>

PHOTO CREDITS, FRAMES FROM LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP TO BOTTOM: 1) LEFT - LEFT SIDE: FAMILY WITH DOG, CADE MARTIN, DRAWN PLOTTO, WOODPE, PIXNBO; 1) RIGHT SIDE: WOMEN WITH DOG, CARMEN BOONE, NPIC; 2) LEFT: VETERINARIAN WITH CAT AND DOG, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES; 3) TOP: WOMAN ON THE PHONE, ISNAT BORAZZI, FLICKR; 3) MIDDLE: BOX, OPENCLIPART-VECTORS, PIXABAY; DOGS, MAKLAYAZ, PIXABAY; DO NOT USE ON CATS, CARMEN BOONE, NPIC; SPOT-ON APPLICATORS, CARMEN BOONE, NPIC; 3) BOTTOM LEFT: SPOT-ON APPLICATORS, CARMEN BOONE, NPIC; BLUE ARROW, CLKER-FREE-VECTOR-IMAGES, PIXABAY; SMALL DOG SILHOUETTE, KAZ, PIXABAY; LARGE DOG SILHOUETTE, SDAPAKA, PIXABAY; NO FOOD OR DRINK, TORSTEN HENNINGS, WIKIMEDIA; NO CHILDREN, OPENCLIPART-VECTORS, PIXABAY; PROHIBITED, OPENCLIPART-VECTORS, PIXABAY; DOG AND CAT SILHOUETTE, LEUNERT, PIXABAY; 4) HANDWASH, CLKER-FREE-VECTOR-IMAGES, PIXABAY; CAT IN CARRIER, DAVID MARTYN HUNT, FLICKR; DOG BEHIND GATE, JIM WINSTEAD, FLICKR; 5) VACUUM CLEANER, CLKER-FREE-VECTOR-IMAGES, PIXABAY; FLEA COMBS, CARMEN BOONE, NPIC; WASHING MACHINE, LERELE, PIXABAY; SPECIALIST, CARMEN BOONE, NPIC.