

What do I do if my pet was sprayed by a skunk?



This is not an emergency, and does not require a trip to your veterinarian, unless your pet was bitten or injured by the skunk.

If your pet was sprayed in the face, first flush your pet's eyes with sterile saline solution. Then bathe your pet using the following recipe for a cleaning solution you can make at home:

1 quart 3% hydrogen peroxide solution (use new bottle)
1/4 cup baking soda
1 teaspoon Dawn dish soap

Please wear gloves and work outside or in a well-ventilated area. Mix all ingredients together in an open container (this will make a paste). Wet your pet with lukewarm water, then generously apply the paste, avoiding eye and mouth areas. Work the paste into the fur and leave on as long as possible. Rinse well, and repeat the process as often as necessary. Discard any left over paste.