

# Dog Swimming Safety Tips





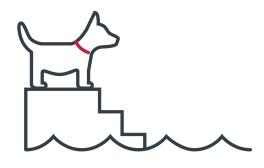
### Stay watch

Never let your dog swim unattended. If you have a pool, use a cover or a fence to keep your pet at a distance when it isn't swim time.



## Check temperature

Check the water before your pet dives in. Like humans, not all dogs are able to handle super cold water.



### Ease them in

Make sure the water is shallow and that they can easily make it back to dry land like stairs, a ramp or a sandy incline that isn't too steep.



# Life jackets

Some pets do well with a pet life jacket when easing into the swimming experience. Make sure it fits them comfortably and they still have full mobility.



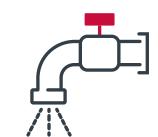
# Know your limits!

Start with shorter periods in the water so you can judge when your dog is getting tired.



# **Drinking water**

Keep fresh drinking water handy. Drinking pool, lake or ocean water can make your pet sick.



### Rinse

Thoroughly rinse your dog after swimming. Salt water, chlorine, and lake algae are best removed from your dog's coat as soon as possible.