Poisonous Household Products



ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center Phone Number: (888) 426-4435

Have you ever wondered if a particular household cleaning product or human medication is poisonous to your pets? The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (APCC) has provided the following guide for knowing which cleaning products, human medications and cosmetic items to keep out of your pet's reach. Please remember that this guide is for general information only, and is not intended to help assess or manage animal exposures, or any subsequent timesensitive medical issues. If you suspect your pet has been exposed to any poisonous substances, contact your veterinarian or call APCC's hotline at (888) 426-4435 immediately.

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Bleach

Pet parents are often curious about the risks associated with cleaning their pets' cages and toys with bleach.

The bottom line is this: cleaning your pet's cage or toy with a properly diluted bleach solution, followed by a thorough rinsing and airing out, is not expected to cause harm. If the odor of bleach seems overwhelming, open windows and use fans to air the room.

There are many cleaning products on the market, with a variety of different ingredients for cleaners, with varying degrees of safety. Always follow label directions for usage. After cleaning, please dispose of unused or dirty solutions, and clean and put away cleaning implements like mops. If you have questions about the appropriate selection or application of a product, please contact your veterinarian or the manufacturer before cleaning.