

Fireworks and Your Pet

As many pet owners know, fireworks can cause a great deal of stress to a pet who is afraid of loud noises. Signs of a frightened or nervous pet are: shaking, trembling, excessive drooling, barking, howling, trying to hide or get into/out of the house, fence, or other enclosure, and refusing to eat food. If your pet is afraid of fireworks:

- Keep pet indoors. Try and create a distraction from the noise by turning on the TV or radio.
- Keep your pet in a quieter place. This may provide your pet with a sense of security and comfort.
- Keep pets away from matches, open fires, and fireworks-especially ones that are lighted on the ground.
- Make sure that your pet has proper identification tags, with current information, in case she or he gets away

Traveling With Your Pet

Important Information when traveling with your pet during the holiday season:

- When traveling consider if your pet is comfortable and happy
- If your pet does not travel well use Countryside for your boarding needs
- Be sure your pet wears a collar with complete identification {Microchipping is an effective tool for location and owner if a pet is found, ask us for more information on how your pet can be microchipped!} and a license rabies tag
- Have a rabies vaccination certificate if you will cross state or international borders.
- Be sure to bring you pet's favorite food, toy(s), and dishes
- Before undertaking a long trip, it is advisable to have your pet examined by a veterinarian