

HOW YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHOKING DOG

SIGNS OF CHOKING

- Gasping and coughing
- Gagging
- Retching in attempt to expel the object
- Bringing its paw to the mouth
- Eyes bulging

METHODS FOR SMALL DOGS



USE GRAVITY

Hold your dog by the hips, support his upper torso & turn him upside down with his face facing the ground.

This position may help to dislodge the object.



DO THE HEIMLICH

- Hold your dog with his back up against your body so his face is facing up towards the ceiling.
- Close your fists together & find the soft spot just below the rib cage.
- Compress his abdomen inwards & upwards for 5 times in quick succession. (Count 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
- Check, sweep the mouth again to see if object is dislodged & remove it.

Repeat compressions if object is not dislodged.

***NOTE:** If all these methods fail to dislodge the object, rush your dog to the nearest vet immediately!

1 CHECK MOUTH



FOR DOGS OF ANY SIZE

Open your dog's mouth, pull his tongue forward. Use your finger to sweep from side to side to see if you can dislodge the object.

**Do not push the object further into the throat.*

*** Be careful not to get bitten.*

2 USE GRAVITY



FOR MEDIUM/BIG DOGS

Lift your dog up by his hind legs, holding him vertically with his head facing down.

This position may help to dislodge the object.

3 DO THE HEIMLICH



FOR MEDIUM/BIG DOGS

IF YOUR DOG IS ABLE TO STAND

- Stand behind your dog & wrap your arms around his waist.
- Close your fists together & find the soft spot of his abdomen just below the rib cage.
- Compress this spot upwards and forwards for 5 times in quick succession. (Count 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
- Check, sweep the mouth again to see if object is dislodged & remove it.

Repeat compressions if object is not dislodged.

IF YOUR DOG IS LYING DOWN

- Lay your dog to his side & kneel behind him with your knees against his back.
- Position your dog's neck & head forward.
- Press one fist against the soft spot of his abdomen just below the rib cage.
- Compress this spot towards you & towards your dog's head for 5 times in quick succession. (Count 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
- Check, sweep the mouth again to see if object is dislodged & remove it.

Repeat compressions if object is not dislodged.

4 TRY SHARP BLOW



FOR DOGS OF ANY SIZE

If object is still stuck, give him a sharp tap between his shoulder blades using the palm of your hand.