

# I didn't know this could hurt my pet..

**What can a little "SUGAR FREE GUM" hurt??? Actually, quite a lot....**

Sugar free gum (or any sugar free product for that matter) that contains Xylitol can be very dangerous to your dog or cat!! Xylitol can cause a profound drop in blood sugar resulting in seizures or collapse. It can also cause liver failure. Two pieces of "Orbit Gum" are enough to cause problems in a 10 pound dog....



One "Ice Breaker" can have serious effects on a 25 pound dog!!!

Baeries can be a problem in two ways...

- If the baery case is chewed through, the corrosive material inside can cause serious injury to the mouth, stomach and intestines.
- If the baery is swallowed, it could cause an obstruction.



25% of all calls to the ASPCA's Poison Control Hot Line involve pet ingestions of human medications!

The most common medications are "Sleep Aids", "ADD/ADHD Drugs", "Antidepressants", and "NSAID Pain Medications".

Keep your medications out of reach of your pets!! Keep your medications and your pet's medications separate... human poison control centers often get calls because people mistakenly take their pet's medications

## Grapes and Raisins....Yes We Said Grapes and Raisins



days after eating them

It's hard to believe, but grapes and raisins can cause serious problems for your pet. Nobody knows for sure why, but they can cause sudden kidney failure. Pets do not get ill until 2-3

30 grapes or raisins for a 20 pound dog is enough to cause problems.



## Chocolate

Yep, that's right chocolate can be dangerous to our pets. There are chemicals in chocolate that can cause severe stomach upset, as well as cause heart problems. THE IMPORTANT THING TO REMEMBER IS: the more processed the chocolate, the more of it your pet needs to eat to have problems....A couple Hershey's Kisses won't hurt a Beagle, but a couple tablespoons worth of cocoa beans or baker's chocolate might.



Don't forget about these things that can be dangerous:

- ◇ Antifreeze
- ◇ Rat, Mole & Gopher Poisons
- ◇ Fertilizers
- ◇ Bone & Blood Meal
- ◇ Household Cleaning Agents
- ◇ Plants such as Lilies, Dahodils, Sago Palms, Hyacinths & Tulip Bulbs