

Animal Safety in the Home

Pets can be a wonderful addition to any home. However, their behavior can be unpredictable, especially if they are exposed to new people, unfamiliar surroundings or disruptive noises. These situations can lead pets to bite or scratch and result in bruises, cuts, trips or falls. Here are some steps to keep you and the pets safe:

- Ask the homeowner if pets are vaccinated and free of fleas and pests.
- If possible, have owner put pet in a room or crate to prevent unpredictable behavior.
- If pets are roaming freely, pay extra attention to avoid tripping.
- If animals become aggressive, do not go near them. If able, go into another room or outside until the animal is contained or calm.
- If bitten or scratched, clean out the wound with soap and water and seek medical treatment.



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