

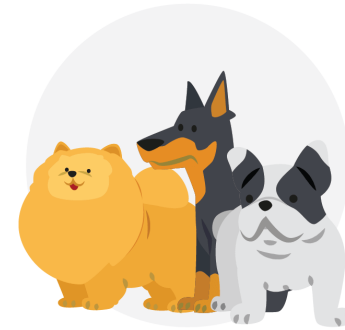
HOW TO KEEP

Your Senior Dog Cool in the Summer Heat + Pupsicle Recipe

5. Know Your Risk Factors

We know that older dogs are more sensitive to hot weather than younger pups, but there are several additional factors that can make your dog extra susceptible to heat stroke, including:

- ✓ **Overweight dogs**
- ✓ **Dogs with dark fur** – Their coats absorb heat more readily.
- ✓ **Dogs with breathing problems** – Dogs don't sweat, but rather cool themselves down by panting. If your pup has trouble breathing, it's harder for them to release heat this way.
- ✓ **Snub-nosed dogs** – Breeds with shorter snouts like bulldogs or pugs have smaller airways, making it harder for them to release heat when they pant.



Try this: Take thorough measures to keep these dogs cool when temperatures soar and keep an extra eye out for any signs of overheating, which include

- ✓ Heavy panting and/or drooling
- ✓ Rapid heartbeat
- ✓ Dark or red gums and tongue
- ✓ Trouble breathing
- ✓ Dizziness
- ✓ Weakness
- ✓ Agitation

If you spot any of these signs, get your dog to a cool environment where they can relax, provide plenty of water, and try splashing water on their coat. Take them to the vet ASAP if symptoms don't subside.

