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Breaking news!

d-CON® Rodenticide Ingredient  
Changes to Vitamin D3



d-CON® is one of the most popular brands of rodenticide in the US. As veterinary professionals, we know that not all rodenticides contain the same active ingredient; however, for the past several decades, we've been able to rely upon the fact that all d-CON® rodenticides were anticoagulants (blood thinners). Not anymore. Starting this year, d-CON® is transitioning their residential rodenticides to very different active ingredient—**cholecalciferol (vitamin D<sub>3</sub>)**. Since rodenticides are amongst the most common toxins ingested by cats and dogs, it's imperative that veterinary professionals be aware of this change and understand its medical implications.

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## Gardening Toxins...Beyond Plants!

While the warmer weather of spring and summer can bring much joy (especially to those of us residing in Northern states) it also ushers in an increase in outdoor toxin exposure calls to Pet Poison Helpline. Aside from plants and flowers, gardening items like fertilizers and insecticides can pose their own toxicity risks to curious pets.



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## Doobs and Don'ts

With marijuana currently legalized recreationally in 9 states and medically in 30 states Pet Poison Helpline has seen a 450% increase in exposures.

Share this helpful infographic with your clients and help prevent more exposures!

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**Doobs and don'ts:**  
6 things you should know about pets and pot

**Marijuana toxicity in pets is on the rise**

Whether it's for medical or recreational use, marijuana is becoming common in more households. Not surprisingly, Pet Poison Helpline® has seen a **450% increase in accidental marijuana ingestion.**

Of the nearly \$1 million in plant poisoning pet insurance claims submitted last year to Nationwide®, many were attributed to pot exposure. Here's what you need to know.

- 1. Oh yes they can nabis**  
Pets can be affected by pot in many of the same ways as humans—but worse. Signs include:
  - Dilated pupils, glassy eyes, or red eyes
  - Incoordination, slow response
  - Drooling, urtic
  - Seizures
  - Vomiting
  - Changes in heart rate
  - Tremors, weakness
  - Agitation, hyperactivity
- 2. Ingest, inhale, intoxicate**  
Common sources of exposure for pets:
  - Direct or second-hand
  - Marijuana edibles
  - Contaminated pet products (treats, shampoos)
  - Marijuana in table
  - Marijuana alternatives (CBD, hemp)
- 3. Infused with extra danger**  
Pet products look or smell like of oils to pets, so some food products, candles, scented incense, shampoos, lotions, or topical treatments may contain oils that can be harmful to your pet.
- 4. Get your pet to the vet right away**  
If your pet shows any signs of marijuana intoxication, get to the vet. Delaying treatment because you're worried about what you've done could put your pet at even greater risk.
- 5. Wash out the details**  
Do things like thoroughly wash your pet with soap and water. You can also use a pet-safe shampoo or conditioner.
- 6. Know who to contact**  
Keep a pet poison hotline number programmed into your phone.

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855-331-2833

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**August 23rd at 12pm CST**  
*Rodenticide Revolution: d-CON says, "Good-bye anticoagulants, hello Vitamin D."*

**September 25th at 12pm CST**  
*Updates on Marijuana Intoxications*

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