

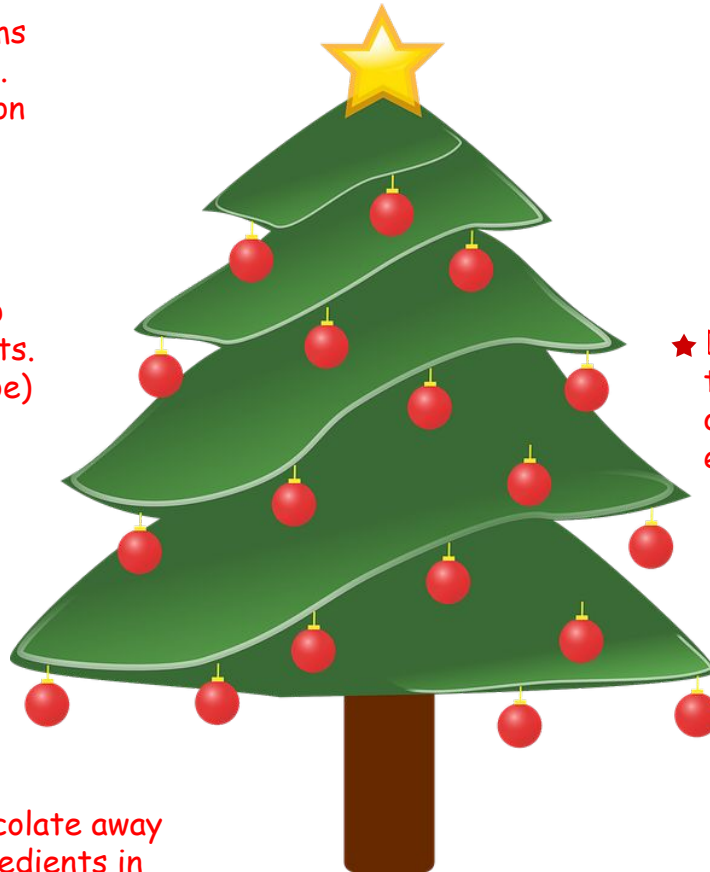
Holiday Safety Tips for Pets

★ Wrapping paper, ribbons, and bows can cause stomach problems for pets if chewed or swallowed. Be sure to throw these away soon after opening gifts.

★ Many holiday plants are poisonous to animals. Keep these plants away from pets. (Poinsettia, Holly, Mistletoe)

★ Keep holiday foods in secure containers and out of reach of your pets. Eating the wrong foods can make your pet very sick.

★ Keep candy, especially chocolate away from your pets. Many ingredients in candy can be toxic, even deadly, to pets.



★ If using a real tree, make sure your pets cannot drink the water from the stand. Clean up fallen needles, also. Sharp pine needles can cause pain and harm to your pet's stomach.

★ Do not use tinsel on your tree. Pets could become sick or choke on tinsel if they eat it.

★ Fire and burns can be a threat to pets. Holiday dangers include lit candles, potpourri pots, and fireplaces. Always keep your pet away from these things.

Wishing you a safe, happy holiday season!
McHenry Township Fire Protection District

