

Self-cling bandage (Stretches and sticks to itself but not to fur—available at pet stores and through pet supply catalogs)

Basic supplies

Absorbent gauze pads

Adhesive tape

Antiseptic wipes, lotion, powder or spray

Blanket (foil emergency blanket)

Cotton balls or swabs

Gauze rolls

Hydrogen peroxide (to induce vomiting when directed by a veterinarian or poison control)

Ice pack

Non-latex disposable gloves

Petroleum jelly (to lubricate thermometer)

Rectal thermometer (pet's temperature should not rise above 103°F or fall below 100°F)

Scissors (with blunt ends)

Sterile non-stick gauze pads for bandages

Sterile saline solution (sold at pharmacies)

Tweezers

A pillowcase to confine your cat for treatment

A pet carrier

Additional useful items

Diphenhydramine (Benadryl®) if approved by a veterinarian for allergic reactions. Vet must specify correct dosage for your pet's size.

Ear-cleaning solution

Expired credit card or sample credit card (from direct mail credit card offers) to scrape away insect stingers

Glucose paste or corn syrup (for diabetic dogs or those with low blood sugar)

Nail clippers

Over-the-counter antibiotic ointment

Penlight or flashlight

Plastic eyedropper or syringe

Rubbing alcohol (isopropyl) to clean thermometer

Splints and tongue depressors

Styptic powder or pencil (sold at veterinary hospitals and pet supply stores and your local pharmacy)

Temporary identification tag (to put your local contact information on your dog's collar when you travel)

Towels

Needle-nosed pliers