Antifreeze

EXTREMELY DANGEROUS TO CATS

Every year cats die because they have been poisoned by antifreeze – don’t let your cat be one of them. Here’s how to keep your cat safe.

What is antifreeze?
Ethylene glycol, otherwise known as antifreeze, is a chemical used to prevent freezing. It is used in car radiators, screen washes and de-icers, and in water features to prevent them freezing up.

Why is it so harmful to cats?
Unlike most chemicals, cats seem to be attracted to the taste of antifreeze. However drinking just a tiny amount will cause serious kidney damage, often so severe that the cat will die.

How can I protect my cat?
‣ Avoid using antifreeze-containing products
‣ NEVER use in outdoor water features
‣ If you do have antifreeze products, store safely away from animals (and children) – a single lick from a bottle can be fatal for a cat
‣ Clean up any spillages immediately and keep cats away from affected areas until dry
‣ IF YOU SUSPECT YOUR CAT HAS INGESTED ANTIFREEZE, SEEK IMMEDIATE VETERINARY ATTENTION

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