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Canine Connections ~ Keeping Your Dog Safe



Peach stones, sweet corn cobs, rubber teats, kebab sticks and small toys can result in potentially fatal internal injuries or blockages in dogs.

Even dog related items such as balls, bones and sticks need to be treated with respect or avoided altogether in favour of Frisbees, rope toys and food chew toys such as Kongs.

Small rubber bouncy balls are especially dangerous. Dogs attempting to catch these balls could instead find it lodged in their throat. Sadly, dogs have been known to suffocate in this way so it's vital that if your dog uses a ball as a play toy, the ball be big enough that it can't possibly be swallowed.

For larger breed dogs, even tennis balls may be too small with frisbees offering a safer option. If your dog must have a ball toy, choose large balls with nobly bits on them. If these should ever become jammed in the throat, those nobly bits create a gap for your dog to breathe around and also make the ball easier to extract.

Bones can also result in injury to dogs if chunks wedge in the throat or bowel. Dogs should only ever be given uncooked bones and always under supervision.

Even an innocent game of fetch the stick can go badly wrong if the stick is caught the wrong way injuring the mouth, throat or piercing the skin.

Whatever games our dogs play, we can't assume that our dogs know when it's time to stop. Many dogs will play-on to the point of serious heat stroke or injury to joints or spine. It's up to us to blow the umpire's whistle and call time-out.

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