

# Keep Pets Healthy with #DoggyDistancing

Respiratory infections, including viruses like canine influenza (CIV), have been spreading in the Dallas area. Here are tips for keeping your dog safe during this outbreak.

## HIGH RISK PUBLIC AREAS

These shared spaces should be considered high risk. Avoid bringing your dog to these places:

- Doggy daycares
- Boarding facilities
- Grooming facilities
- Dog parks
- Pet stores
- Dog-friendly patios
- High-traffic walking trails
- Public transportation



*Note: The CIV vaccine does not prevent illness in all dogs, so this applies to all dogs no matter their vaccine status!*

IT'S YOUR DOG'S TURN TO SOCIALLY DISTANCE!



WASH YOUR HANDS BEFORE AND AFTER LEAVING THE HOUSE



## PUT OTHERS FIRST

Those with service animals may not have a choice of whether to take their dog with them in public as they rely on their animals for safety. Please avoid taking your pet out into public at this time to reduce the risk of spread of illness to these hardworking animals.



## RISKS AT HOME

*Whether you're in an apartment or single-family residence, there are precautions you should take to keep your dog safe!*



### Shared Fences / Property Lines

Avoid letting your dog outside at the same time as your neighbor's dog. Consider a conversation with you neighbor about coordinating times to let your dogs out.

### Hallways and Elevators

Apartment dwellers should not walk their dogs alongside other dogs in hallways or ride together in elevators. Adjust your walking route as needed to avoid others.

### Multiple Dogs in the Home

If you have multiple dogs and one is showing signs of respiratory illness, you should consider all animals in the home exposed. Limit sick dogs' activity levels – they need to rest and stay as calm as possible.

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