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**SECOND QUARTER
2024**

2024 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

- Monday, September 2, 2024
Labor Day
Office closed
- Wednesday, November 28, 2024
Thanksgiving
Office closed

JULY 15TH IS PET FIRE SAFETY DAY

National Pet Fire Safety Day reminds us to consider our pets when planning fire routes and safety in our homes. Our pets are as much a part of our family as any other member. This day stresses the importance of protecting them. Taking preventable measures now can both save your home and your pet. Many times our pets can cause a fire if we don't take the proper precautions.

Here Are 8 Pet Safety Tips:

1. Extinguish open flames. Pets are curious and certainly not cautious. Wagging tails haphazardly knock over candles. Curious kitties will paw at sizzling grease, quickly sending a kitchen up in flames.
2. Consider flameless candles for ambiance and backup lighting in the event of a power outage.
3. Remove knobs from the stove. When not in use, they will not accidentally get turned on.
4. Replace glass water bowls with metal or plastic. Outside on wooden decks, glass can heat up and actually start a fire.
5. Store leashes and collars near the entrance of your home. When away, have your pets in the main living area for easy rescue.
6. Secure young pets when away from home. This can help avoid fire hazards. Pet kennels or a pet-proofed room are options.
7. Fire alert window clings help firefighters locate the room your pets are in and identify the number of pets in the home. Add one to the window of the room where you keep your pets when you are away. Keep it updated with the number of pets residing with you and your current phone number.
8. Have a plan when you are home. Know which family members will be responsible for each pet.

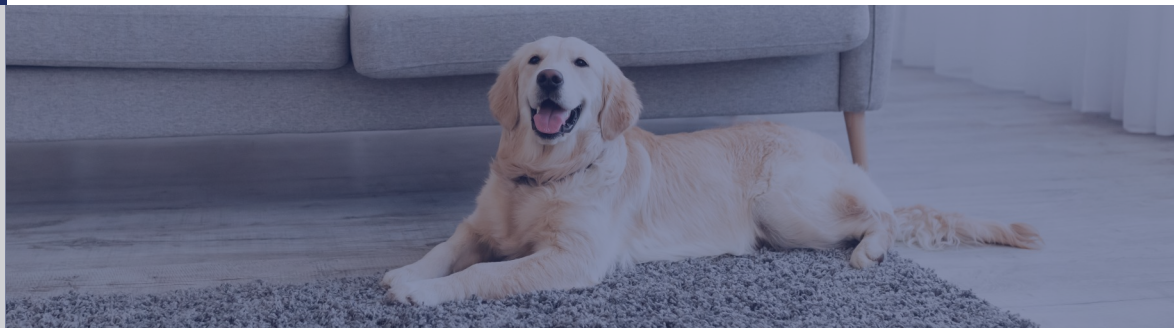
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HOW TO RECOGNIZE AND AVOID PHISHING SCAMS

REASONS TO CONTACT CLIENT SERVICES

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- Do you have a new email address?
- Have you moved?
- Have you changed your phone number?
- Do you have a new bank account?
- Do we know who your Trusted Contact is?

How To Recognize Phishing

Scammers use email or text messages to try to steal your passwords, account numbers, or Social Security numbers. If they get that information, they could get access to your email, bank, or other accounts. Or they could sell your information to other scammers. Scammers launch thousands of phishing attacks like these every day and they're often successful.

Scammers often update their tactics to keep up with the latest news or trends, but here are some common tactics used in phishing emails or text messages. Watch for messages that contain any of the following language:

- Saying they've noticed some **suspicious activity** or log-in attempts — *they haven't*.
- Claiming there's a **problem with your account** or your payment information — *there isn't*.
- Saying you need to **confirm some personal or financial information** — *you don't*.
- Including an **invoice you don't recognize** — *it's fake*.
- Instructing you to click on a **link to make a payment** — *the link has malware*.
- Suggesting you're eligible to register for a **government refund** — *it's a scam*.
- Offering a coupon for **free stuff** — *it's not real*.

Four Ways To Protect Yourself From Phishing

1. Protect your computer by using **security software**.
2. Protect your cell phone by setting software to **update automatically**.
3. Protect your accounts by using **multi-factor authentication**.
4. Protect your data by **backing it up**.

How To Report Phishing

If you receive a phishing email or text message, report it. The information you give helps fight scammers.

- A phishing **email** may be forwarded to the Anti-Phishing Working Group at reportphishing@apwg.org.
- For a phishing **text message**, forward it to SPAM (7726). You may also report the phishing attempt to the FTC at ReportFraud.ftc.gov.

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