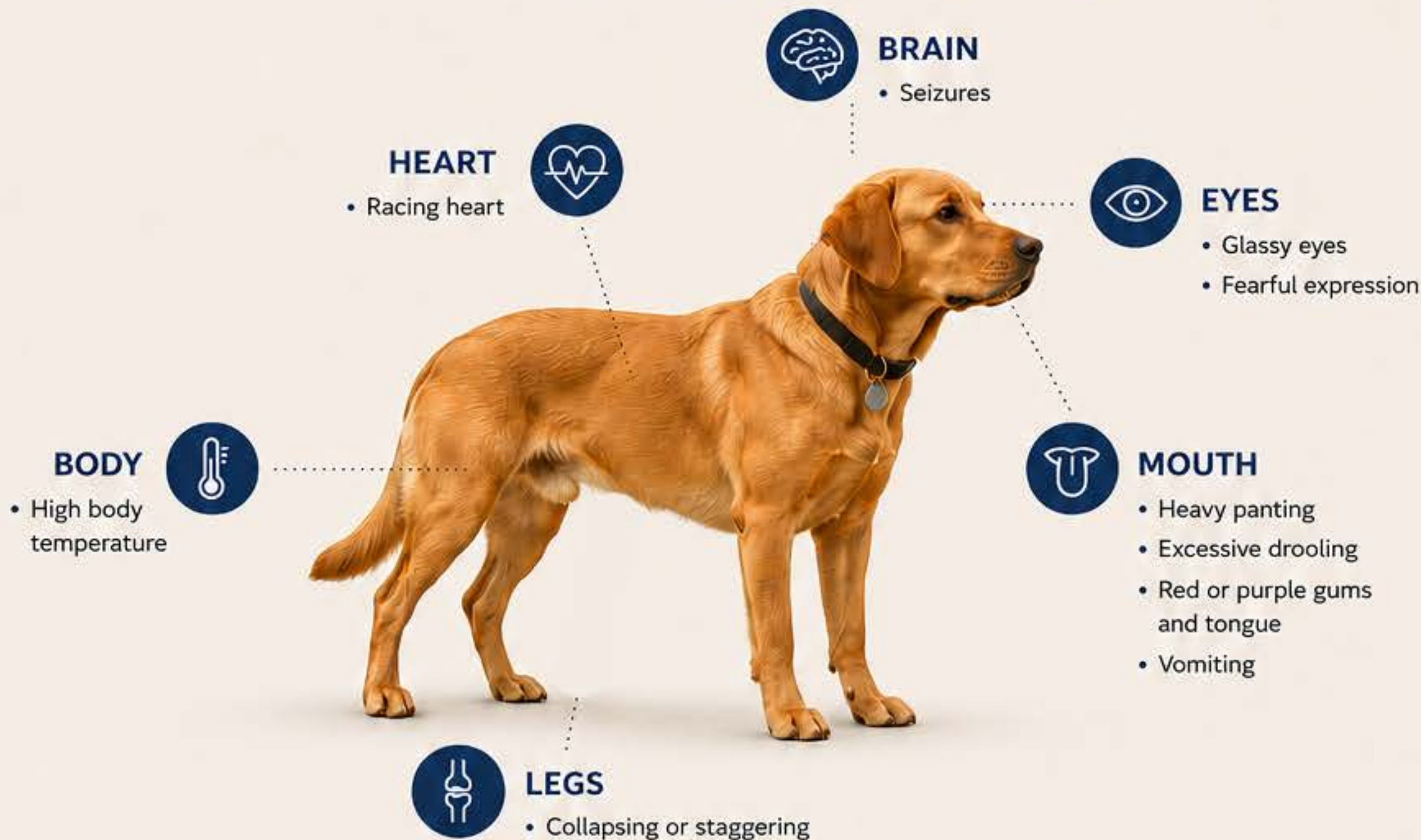


Heat Stroke

KNOW THE SIGNS

Your dog depends on you to keep them safe

Heat stroke can be life-threatening. Knowing the signs could save your dog's life.



How to keep your dog cool on hot days

- ✓ Restrict exercise
- ✓ Never leave in car, hot room or sun trap
- ✓ Ensure drinking water and a cool, shaded spot is always available
- ✓ Walk early in the morning or later in the evening
- ✓ Spray with cool water

Steps to take if you're worried your dog has heat stroke

- 🐾 Move somewhere cool
- 🐾 Offer small amounts of tepid water
- 🐾 Soak the hair coat with cool (but never, ever cold) running water
- 🐾 Place in the breeze of a fan
- 🐾 Contact your vet or, out of hours, your nearest Vets Now pet emergency clinic straight away



Be prepared this summer. Save your pet emergency service number now.

How hot is too hot?

Average survival rate of dogs diagnosed with heat stroke: **50%**



2°C

This small increase in a dog's body temperature is all it takes for heat stroke to kick in

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60

Amount of days it can take for dogs to acclimatise to temperature changes



38.5°C

Dog's normal body temperature



15

Minutes it can take for a dog to die of heat stroke



43°C

At this body temperature a dog's organs begin to fail



6°C

White cars can be up to 6°C cooler than black cars after one hour in the sun



Dogs don't cope with heat like we do. When in doubt, don't take them out!

Stay safe. Keep them cool. ❤️